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## SPARY ACQUITTED

### Britons Evacuated From Battled Insein

Rangoon, Burma, February 11. British Embassy trucks last night entered besieged Insein, 10 miles North of Rangoon, and safely evacuated 45 British national who had been caught in the rebel-town.

The trucks, manned by Embassy officials, entered Insein amid the glare of bursting shells before another midnight battle between Government troops and Karen rebels.

The rescued Britons described their experiences as nightmares. They said they were driven almost crazy by the continuous gunfire. Shells burst within a few feet of the brick building in which they were held for more than a week by the rebels.

One woman refugee said, "This we are safe and alive is a miracle. We prayed every day. God heard our prayers."

They said they lived for 10 days on a diet of salt and rice given them by the rebel tribesmen.

The Burmese Government, meanwhile, claimed martial law in the Insein district where Government troops have been battling Karen rebels for 12 days.—Associated Press.

### Criticism Of Dr. Sun Reported Growing Among Legislators

Nanking, February 11. Qualified opinion in Nanking shows the Premier, Dr. Sun Fo's insistence on keeping his cabinet in Canton may cost him his job, according to a United Press survey conducted by the United Press today.

The survey revealed growing criticism of him, with a possibility of it exploding into an organised attempt to oust him from the Premiership when the Legislative Yuan meets again for its next plenary session.

Qualified Legislative Yuan circles here have no doubt that the next session would be held in Nanking instead of Canton, as Dr. Sun Fo desires. A decision to stay here would be a serious blow to Dr. Sun Fo's political position, it is interpreted here.

These circles said that despite evacuation of the Legislative Yuan secretariat to Canton, and despite the Canton legislators' desire to hold sessions in South China city, the majority of legislators favour staying in Nanking. They said legislators now residing in Nanking and Shanghai, who were the first to make the decision to keep their organ here, received support from legislators in Hankow, Kwailin and Hangzhou.

Support of the Hangzhou Legislative Yuan members was conveyed to their colleague in Shanghai by Mr. Yin Shih-hsien and Mr. Chang Tao-fan. Shanghai legislators also, were said to have sent representatives to Taiwan to rally support from their colleagues now staying there.

**Psychological Reason**  
Several Legislative Yuan members, who asked their identity be not disclosed, alleged Dr. Sun Fo's chief reason to remove the cabinet to Canton is psychological—fear of Communist capture or danger to personal safety.

They said the removal decision was made towards the end of January after the Minister of National Defence, General Kao Yung-chang, reported to him that Nanking would be within range of Communist guns within three to five days.

In addition to his insistence on keeping the cabinet in Canton, these legislators said there were several other things which he has done that have given rise to dissatisfaction. They gave, as examples, his refusal to let government-owned Central Bank of China to buy his house in Columbia Road, Shanghai, for HK\$100,000.

A highly placed source insists there is no rift between Acting President Li Tsing-jen and Premier Sun Fo on removal of the Executive Yuan. He admitted General Li persuaded Dr. Sun to keep the cabinet here but after Dr. Sun insisted on removing to Canton, the Acting President did not follow up the issue.

Acting President Li, according to the same source, also is keeping his hands on the current controversy over the meeting place of the Legislative Yuan.

**Red Controls**  
Canton, February 11. Victory for China's Communists North of the Yangtse means while has brought with it tightening control of foreign activities which, in some cases, are as severe as that imposed by Soviet Russia.

Observers here watching developments in North China cities, say they are now convinced the Communists in China are preparing to follow almost exactly the pattern of the Soviet in driving out all foreign influence and then inviting it back under tight control, which they feel necessary for the expansion of their country. In Washington, there is mounting evidence that demands the retirement of President Chiang Kai-Shek.

### Found Not Guilty On All Counts Of Indictment

### Kwok Guilty On 5 Counts

Austin Spary, electrical inspector Grade I of the Public Works Department, was acquitted late last night at the Supreme Court on all counts with which he was charged.

Kwok Kwong, PWD foreman and second accused in the indictment, was found guilty on five counts. Sentence on him, however, was postponed until Tuesday, when Mr. Percy Chen, accused's counsel, is expected to make a plea for mitigation.

The Jury, comprising four men and three women, returned the verdict at 10.30 o'clock last night after deliberating from 6.10 p.m., thus ending one of the longest trials in the history of the Colony.

Spary, when told by Mr. Justice Reynolds of his discharge, appeared unsteady on his feet and had to be helped out of the dock on to a seat nearby.

After the trial was over, Mr. Justice Reynolds expressed his thanks to the members of the Jury, and told them that they were exempted from Jury service for life.

At approximately 8.35 p.m., during the Jury's deliberation, Mr. Justice Reynolds ordered the court to re-assemble, and appalled to the Jury for having omitted to put to them an important point of Spary's evidence before. The evidence in question, he told them, was in regard to the CPA and to the explanations Spary gave as to having been seen at the CPA.

Having done this, Mr. Reynolds also put to the Jury a small portion of evidence with regard to the Cecilia Beauty Salon, and at the same time commented about certain evidence he gave in favour of Kwok Kwong with regard to Ho Sung having kept the property of the Crown.

Continuing, Mr. Reynolds declared that if the Jury found the Government was not the true owner of the particular materials mentioned in any of the charges, but found that they had possession of them through their servants, then they had possessed of it against any person except the true owner.

Referring to the statements by the accused, the Judge reminded the Jury that they must always remember that the statements was only evidence against the particular person making it. He further stated that if Kwok made a statement putting the blame on Spary, that was not to be regarded as evidence against Spary at all.

The Jury then went in to deliberate and did not come out of the room with the verdict until more than four hours later.

The two accused had been charged with 11 counts, comprising nine of larceny by public servant, one of obtaining money by pretences, and one of conspiracy to defraud the Government.

There had previously been 12 counts in all, but one count regarding the theft of a ceiling fan—was dropped by the prosecution in order to save as much time as possible.

Yesterday's session is said to have been a record sitting, for by the time it ended it was shortly before 11 p.m.

In the course of his long summing-up, Mr. Justice Reynolds remarked that the case had been a long one and that he wished to express to the Jury his appreciation for their very patient hearing and the attention they had given.

Continuing, Mr. Reynolds stated that he would direct them on the law relating to the various counts, but that they must always remember the facts were their concern and theirs alone. In summing up the evidence, he said, he might from time to time express his personal opinion except the evidence impressed him or not.

### Burden Of Proof

Mr. Reynolds further declared that, whatever he said, it was they who had to decide on the facts, and if he expressed an opinion and they did not agree with it, they could disregard it.

Mr. Reynolds went on to say that, in every criminal case, the burden of proof is always on the prosecution. That was the burden to satisfy the Jury that the accused is guilty, and it is not for both accused in this case to satisfy the Crown must satisfy them beyond all reasonable doubt of the guilt of each of the accused.

The Judge then went on to explain what was meant by "beyond reasonable doubt" and stated that in the indictment, the Jury had to decide nine charges of larceny and one each of obtaining money by false pretences and conspiracy to defraud.

There were certain elements in every crime, he continued, which the prosecution must satisfy beyond all reasonable doubt, and some of the cases, he said, must be dealt with regard to the material which was the subject of each count, and that such material was taken out of the possession of His Majesty and

### Evidence: Cardinal Drugged

Vienna, February 11.

Two persons who said they were handwriting experts at the treason trial of Josef Cardinal Mindszenty asserted to-day that their study of the convicted Cardinal's handwriting in alleged "confessions" showed he was under influence of drugs.

The two, Laszlo Sulnir and his wife, Hanna, were under protection of Western authorities today after fleeing Hungary.

They told their story yesterday to intelligence experts of one of the Western Powers and turned over to them microfilm of what they said were the original documents used against the Cardinal.

They said the handwriting in the documents is similar to Cardinal Mindszenty's usual script, but that numerous variations indicated the accused Primate had been under the influence of drugs at the time of the writing.

The Sulnirs brought Hungarian police officials with them attesting to their "official" status as handwriting analysts.

### Testify In Court

They said they were called on by the Community-dominated People's Court to testify on the authenticity of the handwriting in the trial documents and to state that the writing showed no signs of an abnormal state of mind.

There was no immediate indication why the Sulnirs so testily in the Budapest court and then fled the country to reverse their testimony.

Some Western sources, including Vatican spokesman, have asserted that Cardinal Mindszenty was tortured and drugged during his long imprisonment before the trial. They said that explains the confessions obtained by the prosecution. The prosecution denied such charges during the trial.

The Sulnirs were identified by the documents they carried as the official handwriting experts of the Budapest courts and the Criminal Institute of the Hungarian police. No details of their flight were made public.—Associated Press.

### Japan Diet Re-Elects Yoshida

Tokyo, February 11.

The Diet today re-elected Shigeru Yoshida, President of the Conservative Democratic Liberal Party, to succeed himself as Prime Minister of Japan's seventh post-war Government.

In the House of Representatives balloting, Yoshida polled 350 votes out of 841 votes cast.

The Communist candidate, Kiyoshi Tokuda, received no vote.

Inairo Asanuma, of the Socialist Party, received 86 votes. Rokuro Matsumoto of the new Farmer's Party received 10 votes.

Earlier, the House of Councilors elected Yoshida, giving him 167 votes out of 319 votes cast.

Asanuma received 23 votes and Komakichi Matsuka, also of the Socialist Party, received 23.

Yoshida was expected to complete organization of his Conservative coalition government by Monday or Tuesday.—United Press.

Earlier today Premier Yoshida formally resigned in a perfidious gesture preceding his re-election for what may be a four-year term.

Yoshida and his four-month-old Cabinet notified the newly elected Diet of their resignations—a mandatory procedure under the Constitution following a general election.—Associated Press.

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## U.S. Reconciled To Loss Of Japan In Event Of War

Tokyo, February 11.

The United States is reconciled to the loss of Japan in the event of war, it was learned today from the most authoritative American sources.

A recent strategic survey of the world has convinced—at least some of the leading military experts in Washington that Japan is indefensible. They are privately advocating the early withdrawal of all United States occupation forces.

British and Australian circles in Tokyo would not comment officially on the report. Unofficially they expressed concern that a virtual American withdrawal from the Pacific would remove a major stabilising force.

The British Embassy said that there had been no consultations between the Americans and British in Tokyo on the possibility of American withdrawal.

Speaking unofficially, British sources said that Hong Kong's position, now precariously held against the advance of Chinese Communism, might become untenable.

The situation in Malaya, Indonesia and Indochina could only

and Okinawa are believed to be safer. Strategic air attacks could be mounted from these bases without the problems and responsibilities of Japan.

The Alaska-Aleutian chain guards the direct approaches to the American continent, but even if Japan and these bases were lost the United States would not be especially vulnerable.

The East coast of the United States, on the contrary, would be most vulnerable in the event of the loss of Western Europe.

The United States Pacific Fleet is still a big factor. Not for many years is the Russian Pacific fleet expected to rival the American in size and efficiency.

The United States rejects the idea that she has accepted any moral obligations for Japan. This far-reaching conclusion does not infer that the United States would turn Japan over to Communism, the sources revealed.

General MacArthur has frequently expressed satisfaction with the degree of democratization adopted by the Japanese, but this is not necessarily echoed in Washington, the sources indicated.

Influential opinion there is that the Japanese have not changed much since the war and that they had to be disarmed even if it had been known that someone was waiting to attack them the minute it was done.

Although observers here believe that developments in China must have influenced the scission of American military opinion, the sources themselves denied that China was any cause for concern.

They expressed serious doubts whether Russia would be able to make effective use of Communist China and said that there was even a prospect of the Soviet encountering trouble there.

Russia could not supply China with the commodities she needed and China's Communists—or non-Communists, would have to trade with Japan and other countries.

To most Americans in Tokyo, the withdrawal report came as a complete surprise.—Reuters.

## A Case of Coca-Cola Promises Hospitality



## To Be Cleared Of Squatters

A third-area in Wan Chai District is to be cleared of squatter penthouses. The area, defined in the Government Gazette yesterday, is bounded on the North by Gloucester Road; on the East by Marsh Road; on the South by Hennessy Road; and on the West O'Brien Road.

## Charged With Demanding Money

Three Chinese soldiers of the RASC faced Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday on a charge of demanding money with menaces from a prostitute in an unnumbered hut in Ship Street, Wan Chai, on December 28. Inspector Suih prosecuted.

The defendants are Chung Tui-chou, aged 27, Driver; Hui Cheung, aged 25, Fireman and Chan Cheung, aged 27, Driver. They are charged with demanding \$500 from a woman, Wong Chol-fung.

Wong Chol-fung said that she was a prostitute and lived in an unnumbered hut in Ship Street. On December 28 she made a report to the police to the effect that a Chinese, Hui Cheung, had demanded \$500 from her, saying that if the money was not forthcoming, he would kill her.

On the following day, Chung Tui-cheung came to her hut and struck her, and demanded \$150.

Mr. T.N. Clunie gave evidence of an identification parade had said that Hui and Chan were picked out by Wong Chol-fung and her mother.

After further evidence was given, hearing was adjourned to this morning.

## PROFESSIONAL SMUGGLERS

"They are a couple of professional smugglers," remarked Mr. Humphreys when he asked for the confiscation of gold bars valued at \$18,000 Central yesterday.

Chan Chuen, fireman and Kuo-fai, cook, of the ss. Kwong Sai failed to appear in court on a charge of importing gold without a permit and had their ball of \$10 estreated.

The gold was found on the defendants when a search was made on board the ss. Kwong Sai. The gold was confiscated by the Court.

## Direct Wireless Telegraphy Link With Macao Police

First stop in the much rumoured co-ordination schemes of the Macao, Canton and Hong Kong Police Forces was made on Thursday. A direct wireless telegraphy link between Macao and Hong Kong Police Forces was officially established.

The inauguration was made at 12.55 p.m. on Thursday when Mr. D.W. MacIntosh, Hong Kong's Commissioner of Police, and Captain L. Paletti, head of the Macao Police, exchanged greetings through the Police wireless channel between the two cities.

An official statement yesterday who recently made a trip to Macao to complete the arrangements.

The apparatus in use is composed of spare parts available from material in possession of the Hong Kong Government. It has not entailed any financial aid from the authorities. The equipment was designed and built by Inspectors Appleton and Karpo-vitch of Hong Kong Police Radio Branch.

Although the general purpose of the link-up is to enable the facilitation of speedy normal police enquiries, this installation should be of invaluable use in cases of anti-piracy, aircraft crashes, special weather reports and emergency calls.

If such a link had been in operation at the time of the Catalina flying-boat crash, when all except one man on board perished, much anxiety on the part of relatives would have been prevented, and aid obtained within a shorter period, concluded the statement.

## DIVIDEND BONUS RECOMMENDED

The Directors of the Vibro Piling Company Limited announced yesterday that subject to audit they will recommend to the forthcoming annual meeting the payment of the following dividend and bonus:

A final dividend of \$1.388 less tax (\$1.25 net) on 64,000 old shares.

A bonus of \$1.11 less tax (\$1 net) on 64,000 old shares;

A dividend of \$1.11 less tax (\$1 net) on 16,150 new shares;

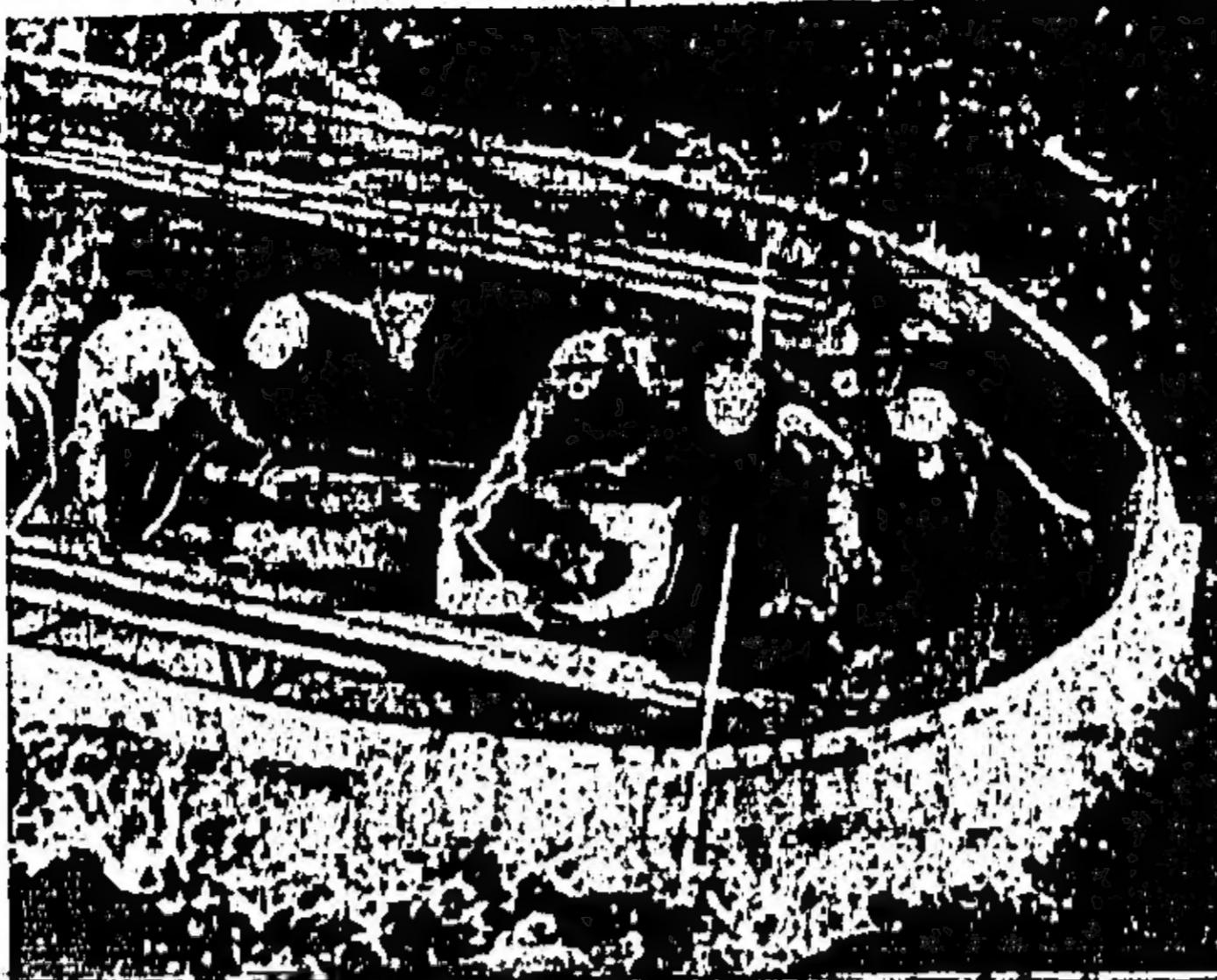
A bonus of 55 cents less tax (\$0.50 cents net) on 16,150 new shares.

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## Tense Moments



## APL Liner In Dramatic Rescue At Sea Near Guam

The ss. President Cleveland, luxury liner of the American President Lines, on her seventh voyage out to the Far East, took part in a dramatic and spectacular rescue at sea on her way to Hong Kong.

The rescue took place about 350 miles North of Guam. A seaman of the freighter Arizona Victory was transferred to the luxury liner and an immediate operation for acute appendicitis was performed by the ship's surgeon, Dr. Francis B. Galbraith, four hours after the patient was received aboard.

The President Cleveland arrived in the Colony yesterday morning with a large passenger list, 282 tons of general cargo and the patient, Ordinary Seaman George Blatch, minus his appendix but smiling happily and eager to have a look at Hong Kong.

The first news the Cleveland had was a radio flash from the Arizona Victory at 2 a.m. on February 2, requesting aid for the sick seaman. The two vessels were some 300 miles apart then but they made good speed and joined up 16 hours later.

With the weather calm, the transfer of the patient was effected quickly and without difficulty. Mr. Blatch was transported from the freighter in a life-boat and lifted aboard the Cleveland in a stretcher.

### Immediate Operation

Dr. Galbraith diagnosed the case immediately and decided on operation. With the assistance of Dr. Benjamin W. Wadsworth, a passenger aboard, and Nurses Margaret May and Christine Fineil and Medical Attendant Harry Jordan, the operation was performed by Dr. Galbraith the same evening at 9.30 p.m.

A 22-year-old ex-serviceman of the U.S. Army, George Blatch, was suddenly taken ill on the Arizona Victory at about 1 p.m. on February 1. When he complained of pains in the stomach, Mrs. Elizabeth Parker and Mrs. J.W. Patrick.

Santo. The Coolidge was then serving as a naval transport. During the First World War, Dr. Galbraith served as a submarine doctor.

Among the President Cleveland's 304 passengers were a number of local residents returning after trips abroad.

They include Dr. & Mrs. C.H. Wain and Dr. & Mrs. T.C. Wong.

Wain had been on an extensive tour of Europe and the United States; Dr. & Mrs. K.W. Ip had been on a pleasure trip to the United States; and Lee Kew-yow, manager of the Wing Chow, Ltd. Importers and Exporters.

Other passengers disembarking in Hong Kong include Mr. Louis Dempsey of Chase National Bank, Mr. E. Goldman, representative of Columbia Pictures, "Marilla," Mr. K.H.M. Gowda, Assistant Commissioner, State Civil Service, Mysore, India; Mrs. Moni La Porte, secretary, E. Ott & Co., Mr. & Mrs. Merle Standard Oil Co., Mr. S.J. Perlman, writer for Holiday Magazine and "The New Yorker," accompanied by Mrs. Perlman, Mr. T. Scott Sutherland, Mrs. Elizabeth Parker and Mrs. J.W. Patrick.

## Fining Of Chopper Related

The finding of a vegetable chopper—the instrument of the alleged murder at Tai-O last September—was relied on by DS1 Scragg in his evidence yesterday during the commitment proceedings in which Wong Fuk-jam stands charged with murder.

Witnesses in the hearing yesterday at Kowloon before Mr. W.H. Latimer, reached 42. There will be 10 more witnesses called before the proceedings end, which is expected to be on Monday morning.

Prosecuting in the case is Mr. Charles Mottram, Assistant Director of Criminal Investigation (Kowloon), assisted by DS1 Asik.

Wong Yau had a young concubine. He also had an adopted son, Wong Fuk-lam.

Evidence given in previous trials told how the concubine Li Kan-mui had complained about being assaulted and beaten by her husband Wong Yau, whose battered body was found among the hills of Manchao, Tai-O.

The concubine had stated that the dead man's adopted son, Wong Fuk-jam, had been intimate with her several times and that he had confined her in his hut and killed his foster father.

DS1 Scragg, in the witness box, demonstrated cracking a chopper into a circle in the manner which two children witnesses said they saw the accused doing before the alleged crime. He said that the chopper could be carried comfortably.

Proceedings will continue to day.

### The First Resuscitation

The senior Dr. Galbraith, who is senior surgeon of the APL, said that although he had performed numerous operations aboard ship, this was the first time any of his patient had to be "resuscitated" from another vessel.

As far as he could remember, he had been eight years with the same company—the Cleveland had never experienced a similar incident before.

Dr. Galbraith, who has been surgeon on the Cleveland since he resumed service to the Far East in December, 1947, was aboard the President Coolidge when the ship hit a Japanese mine and sank at Esperance.

## ART EXHIBIT AT HOTEL CECIL

An art exhibition by Miss Chau Sui-chung opened yesterday at Hotel Cecil and will between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. continue daily until Monday.

Most of the work on display is Chinese paintings and calligraphy.

There are more than 100 exhibits of landscapes, flowers and human figures. Admission to the exhibition is free.

## Meteor Soars 40,000 Feet

An experimental British jet fighter, racing to a height of seven and a half miles in seven and a half minutes, has broken all known records for a mock combat climb. It was revealed recently. The plane is a Meteor-Meteor, fitted with two Hawker Siddeley-Vickers. The twin "Meteors" climbed two miles in the first minute of the record-breaking ascent to 40,000 feet. In 20 seconds it went up to nearly three miles and took only three minutes to reach the five-mile mark. It means that fighters with this type of fighter should theoretically intercept a 500-mile-per-hour bomber flying at 40,000 feet even if the bombers did not take off until 10 minutes after the fighters had started.

Miss Chau Sui-chung, who organized the exhibition, said that

## Trooping Postponed

Trooping of the Colours of the 1st Battalion, The Buffs, before the Governor of Stanley Fort, was postponed from yesterday to Monday because of inclement weather.

The ceremony will start at 11 a.m. It is hoped that all guests invited for yesterday's function will be present a little before the commence-

ment.

## Around The Harbour

Three vessels made their debut in local waters yesterday.

Divided from her normal Straits-East Indies run, the British motorship, Nam Bee, has arrived here with 380 tons of general merchandise. She was slightly delayed outside the harbour limits by bad weather.

The master, Mr. G. Cloughton, heads an all-Chinese crew of 20 and two British officers.

The local agents said that the next trip of the Nam Bee has not been decided.

Coming for repairs from Macao, the Portuguese motor vessel, Wareemba, arrived here in ballast. The 254-ton vessel may go up North but learned. This could not be however, be confirmed by the agents.

Arriving from Stettin via Singapore, the ss. Salmonier brought an executive of her London office who is visiting Japan. Mr. Latimer, who is en route to the Hong Kong office of Coxley and Company during his brief stay here. The Salmonier left for Japan yesterday.

She discharged 132 tons of cargo here but has more than 8,000 tons of potash for other ports in the Orient.

Migration to their native villages in South China by Chinese labourers' businessmen' and their families from the South Seas areas has resumed.

Two ships brought about 1,000 passengers from Penang and Singapore. The British steamer, Kwai-kyang, carried 448 Chinese deck passengers, 77 babies and some European cabin passengers. She also brought 2,000 tons of general cargo for Hong Kong.

The other steamer had 419 Chinese passengers. She discharged a greater portion of her 3,750 tons of cargo here.

The Russian steamer, Aldarn, and the British vessel, Empire Tern, have cleared for Chennai-Ten, Noot Korean.

The Russian vessel has about 2,000 tons of general cargo to barter for Korean products for the China National Resources Commission Office in Hong Kong.

The Empire Tern has been chartered by local Chinese traders for the barter trade with North Korea.

Plans are under way to charter several ships, flying "neutral" flags to visit North China ports. Details are unavailable at present.

The Dutch oil tanker, Antonia, made one of her rare visits to the Colony from Palembang bringing about 4,000 tons of motor fuel.

The 3,350-ton vessel is under the command of Mr. A. Wielhaar.

She encountered bad weather en route from the South.

Coming from Yulin, Hainan Island, the Chinese steamer, Hui-ta, brought 9,237 tons of iron ore to the Colony.

The Indian Recreation Club Social Sub-Committee have arranged several functions for the entertainment of the members, their families and friends.

These are planned to foster good fellowship amongst members.

The following functions have been arranged for this month:

To-morrow, February 20, radiogram recital of Indian music from 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. and at 8 p.m. a Chinamen Show, by courtesy of Mr. T.A. Madar, RKO Radio.

Sunday, February 21, Tea Dance (Piping Band) from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

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## Reminders

### Today

Police Recreation Club, Social Evening Happy Valley, 8 p.m.

Bank of East Asia annual general meeting, Bank premises, 2.30 p.m.

Jumble Sale by Women's Auxiliary of Society for Protection of Children, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 2 noon to 6 p.m.

First Horse Meeting, HK Jockey Club, Happy Valley, 2 p.m.

Art Exhibition by Miss Chau Sui-chung, Hotel Cecil, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Clothing

Three pieces of clothing and a sum of \$6.80 were exhibits in a jarney from dwelling case before Mr. F.X. d'Almeida at Central yesterday.

Defendants were Lung Yau, aged 18, and Chu Tang, aged 23, both casual coolies.

First defendant was additionally charged with impersonating a police officer and second defendant with aiding and abetting.

Inspector T. Cashman prosecuted.

According to the prosecuting officer, both defendants on the night of December 28, last year entered No. 3 Ladder Street, occupied by Sun Ng, a married woman.

Complainant and her husband were in bed at the time defendants entered. Defendants uttered threats that they would take complainant out and kill her.

Defendant, who posed as a police officer, searched her and took from her person \$6.80 and the pieces of clothing.

First defendant was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

Second defendant was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

Both defendants were fined \$10.

Defendant, who claimed to be

employed by the police, was

disbelieved.

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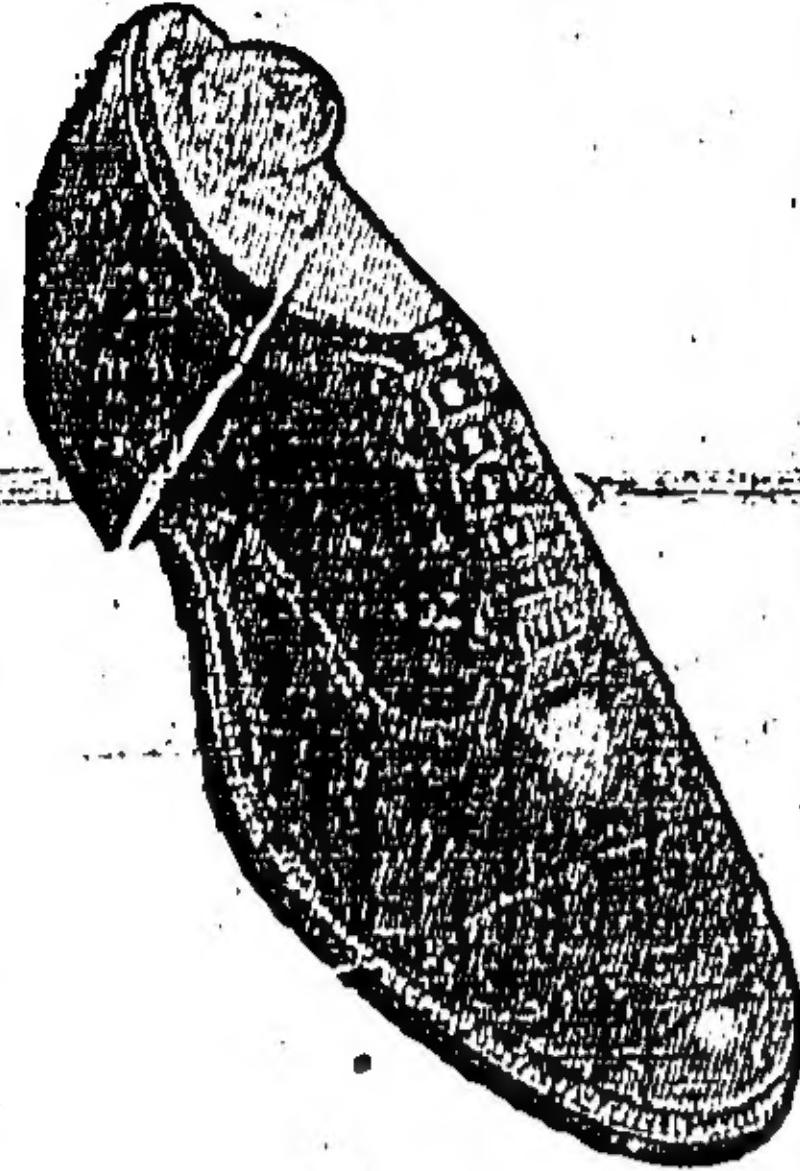
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## Hearing Of Action On Sale Agreement Adjourned A Week

Hearing of the action for specific performance of an agreement for sale of No. 48 Kennedy Road during the Japanese occupation, heard before Sir Leslie Gibson (Chief Justice) yesterday, was adjourned until February 18.

The plaintiff, Liu Fan-feng alias Liu Ah-lan, executrix of the will of Koo Shiu-ting alias Wan Sing, is being represented by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, KC, and Mr. D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr. E. S. C. Brooks, of Hastings and Company.

Mr. D. A. L. Wright, and the Hon. Leo d'Almada e Castro, instructed by Mr. H. K. Woo, for the defendant.

Chan Un-chau said that before the arrest of P.Y. Woo in June or July 1943, an offer of \$240,000 or \$250,000 was received in respect of 48 Kennedy Road.

After the arrest of P.Y. Woo no negotiations took place regarding the sale of the premises. P.Y. Woo was released in August 1943.

In or about June 1943, the Japanese prohibited the circulation of Hong Kong Currency.

### Present At Negotiations

Negotiations for the sale of the premises were renewed between P.Y. Woo and Koo. Chan said he was present at these negotiations on one or two occasions. The offer was increased to \$270,000 and an additional \$2,000 added to this price as brokerage. It was agreed that the price should be in Hong Kong dollars.

Asked why the sum of 66,000 Military Yen had been mentioned in one of the documents, Chan said that this was done as it was not permissible to mention Hong Kong currency. This document was to be shown to the Japanese, whilst the other two were not produced to them.

Chan said that he first received 50,000 Military Yen from Koo. He accepted Military Yen because there was no alternative. Any refusal to accept Military Yen would be tantamount to committing an offence punishable by hanging.

### No Mention Of Currency

Chan said that the balance was paid over in the form of Proprietary Notes, also in Millions Yen. Nothing was mentioned about currency as it was understood that the first amount having been paid in Military Yen, the balance would also be paid in this currency.

Chan said that he knew Koo was the owner and manager of the Shui Hing Company. Before the war, he knew that the Shui Hing Company were dealing in Japanese goods, as he had read of an incident in the newspapers to the effect that the shop had been smashed during anti-Japanese riots.

Chan said that the mortgages of the premises were paid off without any demand being made by them for repayment. The first mortgage was paid off in Military Yen by P.Y. Woo.

Chan declared that he would not have entered into agreement had he known that the purchase money would be insufficient to pay off the mortgages. He would not have executed the purported agreement had he known that the mortgages were still subsisting.

Cross-examined by Mr. Sheldon, Chan disclosed that the

## Road Safety College



The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents in Britain, acting as agents for the Ministry of Transport, have just opened a National College in Knightsbridge, London. It is there for the free use of schools, clubs, institutions, the police, and other bodies interested in road safety, as well as the general public. Some £26,000 worth of equipment can be used by classes sent there for instruction. Picture shows, one of the first school parties to arrive and be taken over the College. The children were from the Gibben Secondary School, Willemsen, seen here with the traffic quiz, Le Mary Miles.

## Personalia

Mr. and Mrs. F. Wheeler, Messrs. De Roe Van Aldenhoven, J. T. Roussel, Dr. L. E. Volmer, and Miss G. B. Horvat arrived in Hong Kong from Canton by the ss. Wuach yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Scallars, Commander G. E. D. de Chal, Messrs. Eugeno Alexis Tsekin, Peter Amner Holt and L. E. Tipon arrived here from Swatow yesterday by the ss. Tsian.

Mr. Sydney H. de Kuntz, Managing Director of Cathay Pacific Airways, returned to the Colony on Thursday. The same CPA plane from Australia was Messrs. George F. Thomas, Wong Hoy, Yan Hing, Roy Farren, and Yu Cheat.

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## Rev. Childe To Leave For London

The Reverend Mr. D. B. Childe, Chairman of the South China District of the Methodist Church, will leave next Friday by the ss. Carthage for London. He has been appointed General Secretary for China and Burma at the Methodist Mission House.

He will conduct the service at the English Methodist Church, at the junction of Queen's Road, East, and Kennedy Road, at 11 a.m. tomorrow.

Mr. Childe began his ministry at the Methodist Central Hall, Liverpool, after which he volunteered for service overseas. He arrived in China in 1930 and worked along the North River.

In 1937, Mr. Childe assumed pastoral charge of the English Methodist Church in Hong Kong.

He also became Chaplain of the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home where

he will be long remembered for services rendered during the interim period before the arrival of the Reverend Mr. J. E. Sandbach, the present Chaplain.

Returning from leave in 1939, Mr. Childe became the Chairman of the South China District with headquarters at Fuzhou.

When the Pacific War broke out, Mr. Childe remained at his post to watch over church affairs, and to encourage those who were maintaining the local churches. He was interned in Canton, where he became a member of the camp committee.

After the Japanese surrendered in 1945, he gave all his attention to the work of rehabilitation.

Mr. Childe has won the regard and affection of all who have come into contact with him by his sincere and unceasing efforts kindly and courteous manner, and unceasing efforts on behalf of the Church and people of China.

## Coins Issued On Wednesday

Seven and a half million five and 10-cent coins for circulation in Hong Kong are due to arrive here from the United Kingdom on Monday by the ss. Carthage.

The coins will be put into circulation two days later through banks. A Proclamation Gazette yesterday by the Governor fixed February 16 as the date from which the coins will be legal tender in the Colony for an amount not exceeding two Hong Kong dollars.

A second proclamation by the Governor said that the former five and 10-cent pure nickel coins issued from October 7, 1937, shall cease to be legal tender from June 1, this year. These coins have disappeared completely from the market.

The new coins are made of nickel and brass.

## Unionist Party Takes Early Lead In Ulster

Belfast, February 11, Initial returns from Northern Ireland's elections today gave the pro-partition Unionist Party an early lead over their opponents in two constituencies.

In Belfast's dock constituency, where violent demonstrations took place last week, the Unionist candidate, Mr. Thomas Cole, won a majority of 284 votes over the Labour candidate, Mr. Hugh Downey, new anti-partitionist.

In the Unionist Mr. A. H. Faulkner won by a wide margin over anti-partitionist E. M. McGrady.

Full returns are not expected before midnight. However, observers of both sides believed the Prime Minister, Sir Basil Brooke's Unionist Party, which favours keeping Northern Ireland in the United Kingdom, was almost certain to seat at least 35 Unionists in the 52-member Parliament.

Mr. D. C. W. Fletcher has been appointed to be Deputy Registrar of Marriages. In addition to his other duties with effect from February 15.

Mr. W. F. Watson, Assistant Commissioner of Inland Revenue, has been appointed to act as Commissioner with effect from February 2.

Mr. C. W. Morris, Assessor,

Grade I, ceased to act as Assessor of Inland Revenue with effect from February 2.

Miss Hilda Maria Anderson has been provisionally recognised as Vice-Congrel for the United States of America at Hong Kong.

The names of Anglo-Swiss Trading Company Limited and Acme Foundry Limited have been struck off the Register of Companies.

The name of Dr. Ted Wong Hopson has been added to the Register of Medical Practitioners. He is entitled to practice medicine and surgery in Hong Kong.

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MALE CLERKS, TYPISTS required for Military unit stationed at FANLING. Transport from KOWLOON provided daily. Knowledge stenography desirable. Applicants report in person for interview at HQ KOWLOON Brigade, WHITEFIELD Bldg. at 1130 hrs. 15 Feb.

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BRITISH Pharmaceutical Importers require Medical Propagandist/Balesman for Canton area. Apply giving full particulars to Box No. 738 "China Mail."

WANTED Cookboy and wife for Wash. Amah. must have references. Phone 50737 between eleven and two thirty, daytime.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS  
ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-seventh Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Monday, the 28th day of February, 1949, at Noon, to transact the following business:

1. To receive and consider the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1948.

2. To sanction a Dividend in respect of the year 1948.

3. To elect two Directors.

4. To appoint Auditors.

CLOSING OF TRANSFER BOOKS.

Notice is also given that the Transfer Books and Register of Members will be closed from the 14th February, 1949, to the 28th February, 1949, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

G. B. S. THOMSON,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 1, 1949.

## THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Thirtieth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of this Company will be held at the Registered Office of The Company—No. 10, Des Voeux Road, Central, on Saturday, the 12th February, 1949 at 2.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1948 and to elect Directors and appoint Auditors.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 5th February, 1949 to Saturday, 12th February, 1949, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

KAN TONG PO,  
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, January 24, 1949.

## U. S. R. C.

The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Club-house on Thursday, 17th February, at 6.00 p.m.

## FAR EASTERN FREIGHT CONFERENCE NOTICE

## TO ALL SHIPPERS

Shippers are hereby notified that effective forthwith on the freight unit on Coconut Oil in drums indicated on page 41 of Freight Tariff No. 3 from Hong Kong Area has been changed from "WEIGHT" to "MEASUREMENT" basis.

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# Crisis At The Hague Reaching The Climax

## Acquitted But Still In Gaol

New Delhi, February 11. V. G. Savarkar, the only person acquitted in the Gandhi murder judgment on Thursday, has been kept in custody.

Mr. Lahiri, Secretary of the Hindu Mahasabha, said that Savarkar was discharged from court on Thursday morning and taken to an adjoining room and told by the police not to leave the premises until further orders.

He added that Savarkar was subsequently detained within the Red Fort under the Punjab Safety Act.

A reception, arranged by the Mahasabha, in honour of Savarkar on Thursday, was cancelled.

Mr. Lahiri said that of those convicted on Thursday, Nathuram Godse has told his lawyer that he is not appealing against the death sentence while Dr. Parchure has already filed papers to appeal against his life imprisonment sentence.

The Judge held that Dr. Parchure procured the pistol that killed Gandhi.—Associated Press.

## THE TOLL IN MALAYA

London, February 11. The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, said today that Malayan guerrillas killed 31 civilians in January.

The average number killed per month, between June and December inclusive, was 15, he added in a written reply to a Commons' question.

"Production of rubber has been maintained and that of tin increased, thanks largely to the loyalty and courage of those concerned and to the confidence which they and others have shown in the future of their territory," he said.

The Colonial Under-Secretary, Mr. D. A. Rees Williams, in another written reply, said that the Government are deeply appreciative of the steadfastness of the planters, miners and other workers in Malaya in the face of difficulty and danger.—Associated Press.

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The Hague, February 10. The Netherlands Cabinet, facing an almost inevitable split over its Indonesian policy, held a special three-and-a-half hours' meeting today without announcing a decision.

Political quarters feel the crisis is rapidly reaching a climax. The Ministers will resume their discussions tomorrow.

During this week's debate on Indonesia in the Second Chamber, party speakers had demanded clear-cut Government statements on the following points:

1. Acceptance or rejection of the United Nations Security Council's resolution on Indonesia.

2. Release of the Republican leaders.

3. The present status of the occupied Republic; and

4. The retention or abolition of the proposed 'interim period prior to the complete transfer of sovereignty to the United States of Indonesia.'

A Cabinet split on the Security Council's resolution can hardly be avoided. Until the vital question of acceptance or rejection has been decided, the Cabinet will not be able to make a clear-cut statement on the other three points.

The judge held that Dr. Parchure procured the pistol that killed Gandhi.—Associated Press.

## Divergent Views

The next public Parliamentary session has been called for Tuesday, the deadline set by the Security Council for a definite Dutch—Indonesian agreement on an Interim Federal Government for Indonesia.

The Council's January 28 resolution called for an immediate end to the fighting in Indonesia and called on the Dutch to release the Republican leaders and allow them to function in the Yogyakarta area, and to invest the United Nations Commission with powers to assist in establishing an Interim Government before March 15.

Most Cabinet members appear to feel that the whole resolution violates Dutch sovereignty in Indonesia. Some, led by the Overseas Territories Minister, Mr. E.M.J.A. Sassen, maintain that the Government should ignore it completely.

## RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 0.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

H.K.T.

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.

12.32 p.m.—Light Variety with Ambrose and His Orchestra.

1.00 p.m.—Jazz Octet (BBC).

1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.25 p.m.—A Light Orchestral Programme.

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

6.00 p.m.—Programme Summary.

6.01 p.m.—"Unit Requests" Linda Carter Calling—R.N. Yard Police (Studio).

7.00 p.m.—World News and News Analysis (London Relay).

7.15 p.m.—Carroll Gibbons (Piano) "On the Air."

7.30 p.m.—"Grand Hotel" Albert Bandier and the Palm Court Orchestra with Sylvia Welling (Soprano).

(BBC)

8.00 p.m.—"From the Editorials" (London Relay).

8.10 p.m.—"Saturday Round-Up"—"Leave and A Visit to East Africa" An Interview with Gus Coddick (Studio).

The incident caused her embarrassment and humiliation, she said.—Reuter.

1.25 p.m.—Sports Results. (Studio)

8.30 p.m.—Verdi's "Aida" Act 2. With Maria Callas, Beniamino Gigli, Edo Stignani, Tancrède Pastero, and other principals. Chorus and Orchestra of Opera, Rome; cond. by Tullio Serafin.

9.30 p.m.—A Short Piano Recital by Renzo Masiwitch.

9.30 p.m.—"A File of Wood" A Mystery Play by Evelyn Russell. (BBC)

10.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel. (London Relay).

10.15 p.m.—Weather Report.

10.16 p.m.—"Casbah" and Dance Music.

11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

12.30 p.m.—Close Down.

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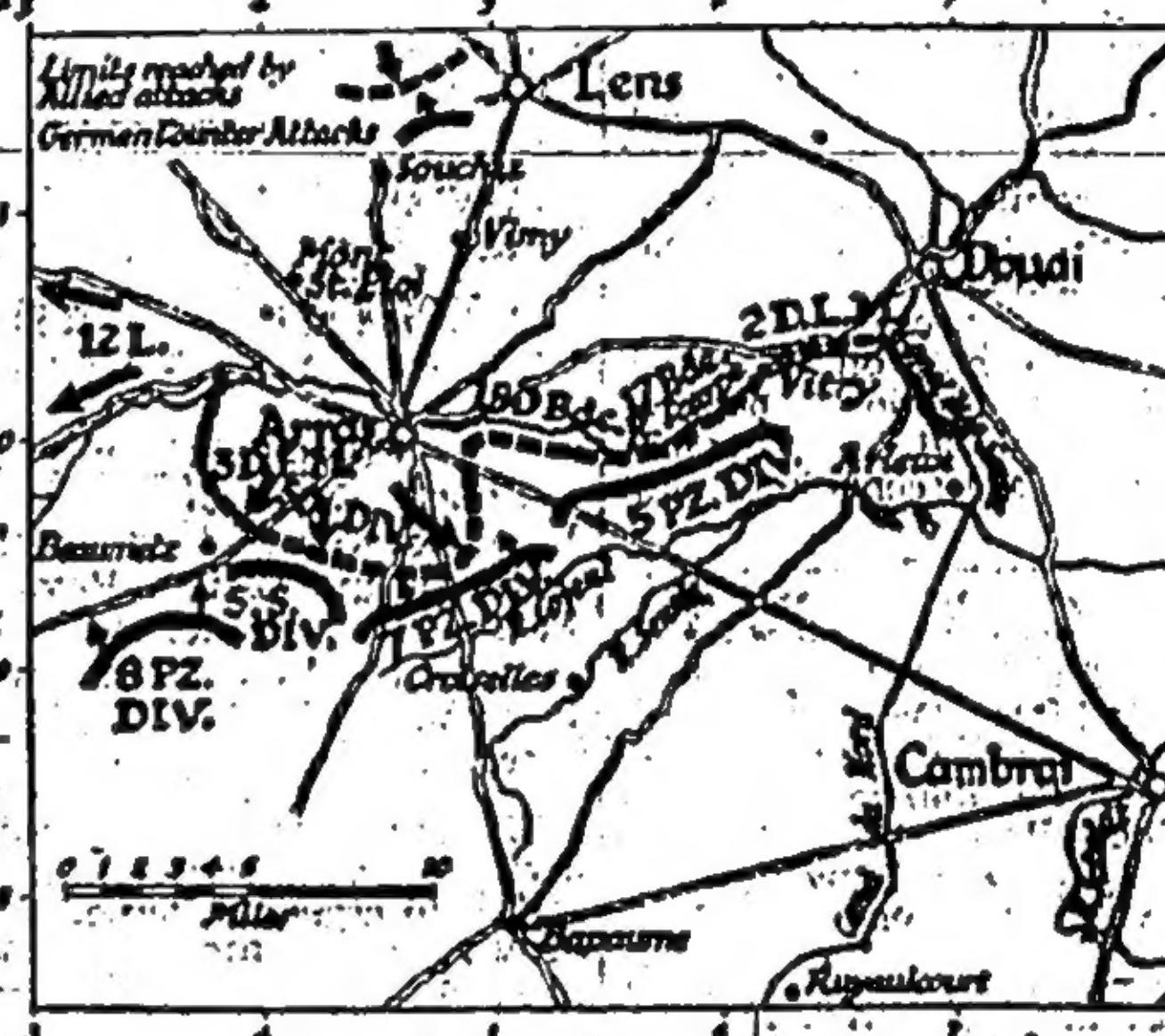
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Mr. Gammans thinks that BBC talks broadcast from Hong Kong are unsuitable for Chinese listeners. Wot, no gongs.

One hundred and ten members of the WRAC have embarked in England for posting to Singapore. None of our protests against unfair discrimination seem to make the slightest difference.

A demand that women be prohibited from crossing their legs in frames has been made in Melbourne, according to United Press. There is, of course, a time and place for everything.

The Far East spy ring story is described as reading like a Hollywood serial but that a slight on Sax Rohmer and Baron D'Orsay.

For a little more than \$200 one can acquire an instrument which indicates what way the wind is blowing. And Chinese officials are discussing the lifting of import trade restrictions.

Strenuous efforts are being made in China to reach a peace compromise before the United Nations can attempt mediation. It is apparently feared that no arrangement would be strong enough to survive that.

Mr. Crossman, editor of the New Statesman, writes that Hong Kong is HQ of the Chinese Communist movement. This is unlikely to make us look over our shoulder at Grippe to see who's sitting at the next table.

She rented a room to two young men she didn't know, but soon got over her anxieties. "They must be nice boys," she exclaimed, "they both have towels from the YMCA!"

That sibilant whisper you hear is at hotel resident reminding the manager about the idea of March.

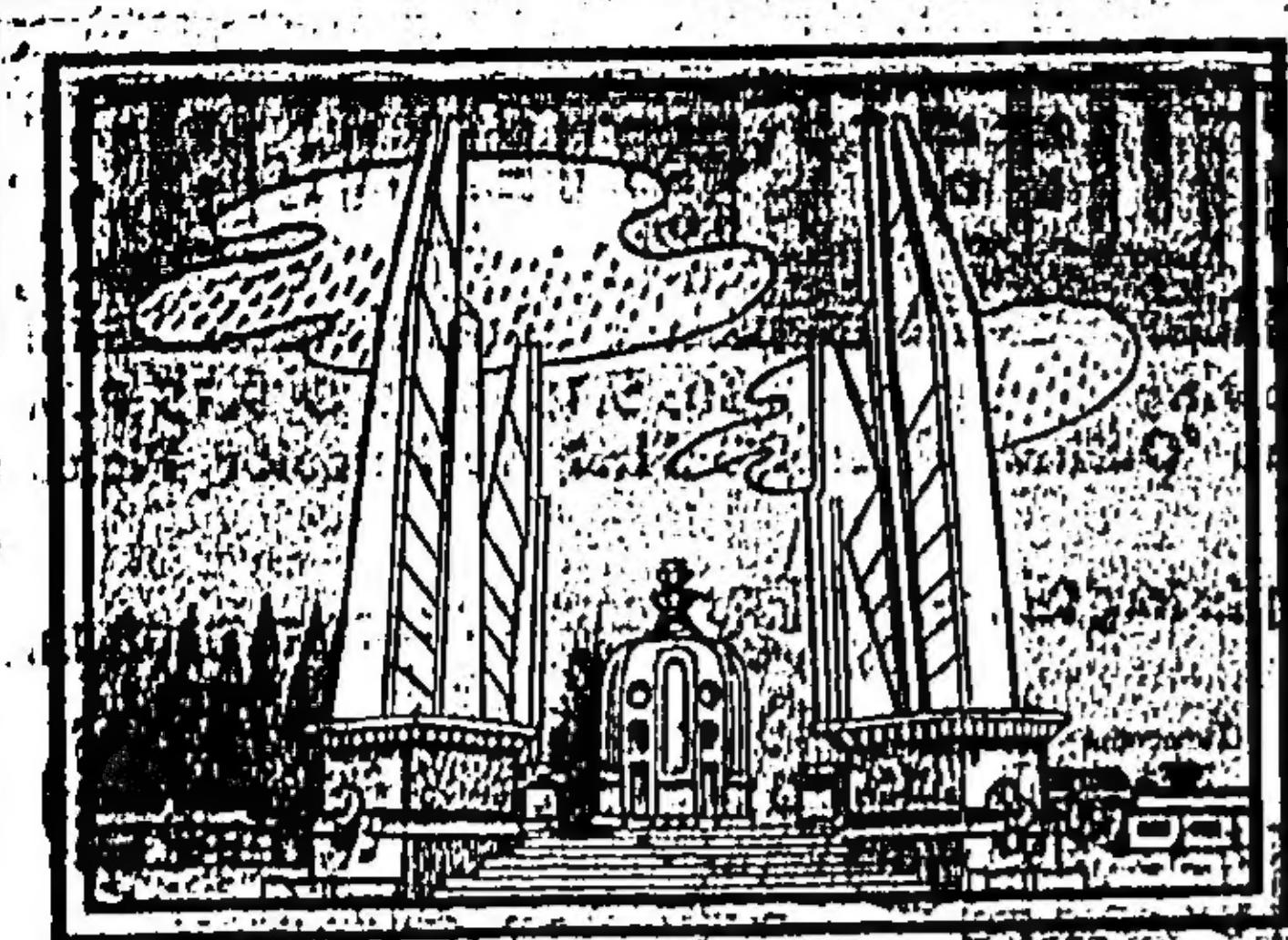


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## PALESTINE

When the British authority was withdrawn from Palestine, a new responsibility was acquired by the Arab and Jewish inhabitants. It was the responsibility to maintain order and produce conditions in which peace could be permanently established in Palestine and throughout the Middle East. To the extent that that responsibility has not been accepted—and who, confronted with the recurring spectacle of Jews and Arabs, at each other's throats, could assert that it has been accepted?—the British Government has been compelled to withhold support and recognition from the trouble-makers.

That line of action was a logical part of British policy of bringing about a peaceful basis for recovery in all parts of the world. And that policy itself is required as much by simple self-interest as by any broader philosophical recognition of the benefits of peace. That British policy in Palestine should have been described variously as inconsistent, partial and downright sinister remains the piece de resistance of a situation which is full of paradoxes. The British Government has been consistently in favour of peace and order. When these things have been threatened it has done what it could to limit the threat. That is all.

The de facto recognition of Israel, accorded on January 29, was not the expression of final resignation or a retreat from responsibility. Such a gesture is not morally open to the British Government any more than it was to Pontius Pilate. The British decision had two aims. It was intended to end an anomalous situation in which British and American policies, closely knit in fundamental accord throughout the world, appeared in the single case of Palestine to be in complete opposition to each other. That aim appears to have been achieved, as in common sense it should be. The United States Government extended de jure recognition to Transjordan on January 31 and the possibility that a situation would arise in which the two powers would be backing opposed parties in a local war was ended.

The other British aim was to bring home a sense of responsibility to the Jews alone. Clearly a similar sense is required throughout the Middle East. In the particular case of the conference at Rhodes, at which an attempt is being made to achieve permanent withdrawal of the military forces of Israel and Egypt, it is likely that the United Nations Mediator has had to cope with territorial demands by the Egyptians which are no more acceptable than the more extreme Israeli claims. He would undoubtedly have the support of the British Government in his attempt to bring both sides to reason. Again there is not the slightest chance that the attempt of the former Mufti of Jerusalem and a few other of the less reasonable Arab leaders to set up a "Palestine Government" at Gaza will receive anything but disapproval. Only the more short-sighted observers of the Middle Eastern scene could believe that the Arab states have no power whatever and that the "monarch" in which they exercise that power is in a matter of indifference to the rest of the world. It is worth remembering that not a single state in Asia has recognised the present Government of Israel, much less the State of "Judea." This is a formidable witness of power standing behind the Arabs. It cannot be ignored.

It would, of course, be a mistake to assume that the British Government wishes

in the widest sense was imposed in equal manner. Control of all establishments, including banks, was imposed under the authority of Government orders. Employers could be required to produce their books, and Excess Profits were to be taxed at 100 per cent. A Production Council to be presided over by Mr. Greenwood was to be formed and a Director Labour Supply to be appointed.

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Meanwhile a new French Army under Gen. Frere, composed of 18 to 20 Divisions drawn from Alsace, from the Maginot Line, from Africa, and from every other quarter, were to form a front along the Somme. Their left hand would push forward through Amiens and thus by their mutual efforts establish contact with the armies of the North. The other would move to the right under constant pressure. The Panzer divisions must not, said Weygand, be allowed to keep the initiative. All necessary orders had been given so far as it was possible to give orders at all. We were now told that Gen. Billotte,

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# CHINESE COMMUNISTS PUBLISH NEW LIST OF CIVIL WAR 'CRIMINALS'

## Penang Secession Rejected

Penang, February 10.  
The Penang Settlement Council today rejected, by 15 votes to 10, a motion that Penang secede from the Federation of Malaya and revert to the pre-war Straits Settlements Colonial status.

All Unofficial members (private members, who do not hold Government posts) with the exception of four Malays and one Indian Moslem voted for secession.

Mr. D. A. Mackay, Chairman of the Penang Chamber of Commerce and member of the Federal Legislative Council, putting the motion, urged, that the official members of the Settlement Council (nominated by the High Commissioner) should vote according to their own convictions.

The Resident Commissioner, however, ruled that officials must take their stand with the Government.

Mr. Mackay declared that Penang desires to remain part of the Empire and her citizens to remain British subjects, and denied a suggestion by the Commissioner-General for South East Asia, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, that the secession movement is communal in nature.—Reuter.

## Bomb Stockpile To Remain Secret

Washington, February 10.

The United States will continue to keep secret the number of atom bombs in its possession, President Truman announced at his press conference today.

Mr. Truman denied reports that Mr. David Lilienthal, United States Atomic Energy Commissioner, had said he is considering making this information public.

The fissionable core of an atom bomb is the size of a golf ball, but it is equal to 5,400,000 pounds of TNT. Lieutenant-Colonel William R. Stark, of the Armed Forces Industrial College, disclosed to industrial leaders in Los Angeles today.

He added: "The bomb blast is no different from other bombs except in force, though the flash heat can inflict burns at a distance of 4,000 metres (three miles)."

Earlier, he had spoken to the industrial leaders of the atom bomb being the size of a golf ball, but later explained to reporter:

"It is obvious that the bomb is much bigger than that because it takes a B-29 Superfortress to carry it."

Radioactivity was responsible for 10 per cent of the deaths after the wartime atom bombs fell in Japan.

There has been some division of opinion in Congress on whether the United States should disclose information on the atomic bomb.—Associated Press.

## QUAKE RECORDED

Pasadena, February 10. An earthquake of moderate intensity, with its centre 4,700 miles from here, was recorded this afternoon by the seismologist at the laboratory of the California Institute of Technology.

The direction of the quake was not determined.—United Press.

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Washington, February 11,  
The Chinese Communists have branded 37 more Chinese Government officials and supporters as "war criminals."

Included in the new list are Paul Yu Pin, Roman Catholic Archbishop of China, now here on the way home after conferences with Vatican officials in Rome; General Chiang Ching-kuo, oldest son of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, the Nanking Government representative to Formosa;

Dr. Teng Shih-ching, Chinese consul-general in Shanghai and educator and former Nanking Ambassador to the U.S.; and

Dr. Hollington Tong, former information officer of the Nanking Government.

Archbishop Yu Pin confirmed the Communist action, saying to a reporter: "Yes, I have been informed that the Chinese Communists have declared me a war criminal. I am not surprised."

The Chinese prelate declined further comment, other than to say he plans to return to China within a few days.

This latest Red pronouncement brings to 80 the number of Nanking officials the Chinese Reds accuse of being "war criminals."

### Yenan Despatch

The first list of 43 began with Generals Li and Madame Chiang Kai-shek.

Information of the latest Chinese Communist demand that more Nanking leaders be handed over to the Reds is contained in a New China News Agency despatch from Yenan, Communist

headquarters in North China, to the Chinese-language newspaper China Daily in New York. The New China News Agency is a Communist organ.

The Yanan despatch was translated into English by authoritative Chinese here.

Others on the new Red list include:

### New C-in-C

General Chang Fu-kwei, new Commander-in-Chief of the Nationalist Army;

Generals Wang Ling-chi, Wang Tsan-hsu, Yang Shen, and Pan Wen-hsun, all Nanking commanders in West China;

Hsu Kan, Minister of Finance;

Yu Tai-wai, Minister of Communication, former Nanjing chief of Ordnance, and holder of numerous foreign military decorations, including one from the U.S.;

Hung Lan-yu, Minister of Interior;

Liu Li-chien-chun, Deputy Speaker of the Legislative Yuan; Chen Hsueh-ping, Minister of Education;

### KMT Secretary

Cheng Yen-feng, Secretary General of the Kuomintang (Government Party);

Tso Shun-sheng, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry;

Lo Ching-ying, former Governor of Kwangtung;

Pan Kung-chang, chairman of the Shanghai City Council;

Hsuan Ti-wu, Shanghai Garrison Commander;

Hsu Tu-tung, and Wu Chu-jen, Peiping Kuomintang leaders;

Yeh Ching, former Communist now an anti-Red leader;

Generals Chu Shao-liang, Kuo Chen, Li Ping-hsien, Tung Chao Chen Chin-cheng, and Chang Chen;

Ku Cheng-kang, former Minister of Social Affairs who resigned in protest against peace moves;

General Teng Wen-yl, spokesman of the Defence Ministry;

Huang Shao-ku, chief Kuomintang information officer;

Ho Chung-han, Vice-Minister of Social Affairs;

### Tainted Men

Chang Tao-fan, Director of the Kuomintang Cultural and Arts Department;

Cheng Kai-men, Vice-Minister of Defence;

Yeh Haleu-jens, chief of the National Secret Police;

Chen Chi-chen, former Minister of Industry and Commerce;

Cheng Yun-ien, Social Democratic Party leader;

The New China Daily, now commenting editorially on the list, said:

"Why must we eliminate them?" Take a look at the list of 80 war criminals now published.

"Which one of them is not tainted with the people's blood in their hands? Which one of them has not fattened himself by fleecing the people?"

"If they are not responsible for the civil war now raging, who are responsible?"

"If we do not punish them with the punishment they richly deserve, how can we face the people who have suffered so much for their evil deeds?"—Associated Press.

THE CHINA MAIL, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1949.

## COUNCIL DEFEATS RUSSIAN PLAN ON DISARMAMENT

Lake Success, February 10.  
The Security Council today defeated Russia's latest disarmament proposal.

The proposals call for a one-third cut in the armaments of the Big Five and a public accounting of the United States' atom bomb stockpile.

After an afternoon listening to the delegate's charges that America is involved in a mad arms race destined to throw the world into a new war, the Council defeated the Soviet proposal two for, and none against, with eight abstentions. At least seven votes, including all three permanent members, were needed for Council approval.

At the same time the Council approved nine, for, none against, United States' courtship of disarray unless it builds an effective radar screen to detect possible enemy planes.

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The photo shows one of the entrances to "Harbour View" Hotel, Kowloon.

An illustration of this policy was Australia's prompt assistance to the relief of Arab refugees and its very active support of the International Refugee Organisation," he said.—United Press.

Further, he said: "Regional consultation in South East Asia and the Pacific is strictly in accordance with the practice of the United Nations and of the British Commonwealth. Indeed, the South East Asia and Pacific regions include no less than six of the eight members of the British Commonwealth—United Kingdom, India, Pakistan, Ceylon, New Zealand and Australia.

Dr. Evatt said regional co-operation in these areas had been recognised by the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East and by Lord Killearn's pioneer work, particularly in 1944, as well as by regular co-operation between South East Asian members of the British Commonwealth.

The Embassy text makes no direct reference to the recent New Delhi conference.

Dr. Evatt said Australia has discharged its important duty to assist in the rehabilitation and relief of peoples outside its own borders.

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## MOTORING NEWS AND VIEWS

### BRITAIN'S NEW CARS

A Make-By-Make Review Of Some Of The Latest Products

The motor-cars offered to the world by the British motor industry are more diverse in size, style, and price than the products of any other car manufacturing country. The smallest British cars are among the cheapest in the world, and at the opposite pole the most expensive British cars are the most luxurious motor-vehicles made anywhere. In between, the British motor industry makes medium-sized cars that combine roominess, performance, and economy to a degree never previously attained. More expensive, but providing the speed and handling qualities of thoroughbred machines, are those British sporting cars that are universally appreciated by motorists to whom motoring is more than a convenient form of transportation.

The A.C. is a medium-sized car with a reputation for quality. The 2-litre engine is a well-tried design with six cylinders and an overhead cam-shaft, and develops 74 b.h.p. at 4,250 r.p.m. The four-speed synchromesh gearbox has a central gear-lever. The front brakes are hydraulic and the rear mechanical. The A.C. has half-elliptic springs all round, and cam-and-lever steering. It has a wheelbase of 117in., a turning circle of 38ft., a ground clearance of 7in., and weighs 25cwt. The saloon and drophead bodies offer remarkably good visibility.

**ALLARD**

The Allard has a Ford V-8 engine in a special chassis, giving the excellent ratio of 85 b.h.p. to an unladen weight of from 21 to 25cwt., according to the type of body. The brakes are hydraulic and the steering gear is the worm-and-nut type. The car has independent front suspension using swinging axle beams. The wheelbase is 108in. on the two-seater and 112in. on the other models, and the ground clearance is 9in.

**ALVIS**

The Alvis "Fourteen" has a 1,802 c.c. overhead-valve engine developing 65 b.h.p. at 4,000 r.p.m. and the four-speed synchromesh gearbox has a central lever. The brakes are mechanically operated, and the steering gear is by worm-and-nut. Half-elliptic springs are used in front as well as at the rear. The wheelbase is 108in., the ground clearance 6½in., and the turning circle 39½ft. The saloon costs £990. In England.

**ARMSTRONG SIDDELEY**

The first new model introduced after the war, the Armstrong Siddeley has since been modified in detail as a result of the experience gained in two years' service on the road and now has a slightly lower bonnet line. The 2-litre overhead valve engine develops 70 b.h.p. at 4,200 r.p.m., the choice of a four-speed synchromesh gearbox with central lever or four-speed epicyclic gearbox with selector on the steering wheel being provided. The epicyclic gearbox has the same top-gear ratio but a slightly lower bottom gear. The car has independent front suspension by torsion bars and half-elliptic rear springs. The front brakes are hydraulically operated and the rear brakes are mechanical. The steering is by worm-and-nut. The car has a 115in. wheelbase, a turning circle of 37ft., and weighs 27½ to 28cwt., according to the type of body. The ground clearance is 6½in. The saloon, sports saloon, and drophead bodies are unusually roomy and tastefully finished.

**ASTON-MARTIN**

Recently acquired by Mr David Brown, the tractor manufacturer, the Aston-Martin concern has resumed production with an entirely new sports car that has already

made its name by winning the 24-hour race at Spa last July. The four-cylinder overhead-valve engine has a cubic capacity of 4½ litres, two carburetors, overhead inlet valves, and side exhaust valves. The four-speed synchromesh gearbox has a central lever, the brakes are hydraulic, the steering cam-and-lever, and coil springs are used all round. The front wheels are being independently sprung. The wheelbase is 108in., the ground

speed without tiring the driver or passengers. The six-cylinder engine has a cubic capacity of 4½ litres, two carburetors, overhead inlet valves, and side exhaust valves. The four-speed synchromesh gearbox is operated by a central gear-lever. The hydraulic brakes are assisted by a mechanical servo, and the steering is by cam-and-roller. The front and rear suspensions are independent. The Mark VI Bentley has independent suspen-

models with minor modifications. The V-8 "Pilot" saloon has the 3,622 c.c. engine, which develops 85 b.h.p. at 3,800 r.p.m. The weight of the complete car is 28cwt. The three-speed gearbox has a steering-column gear lever. Steering is by cam-and-roller, and the brakes are hydraulic in front and mechanical at the rear. All the

British Fords have transverse springing fore and aft. The "Pilot" has a wheelbase of 108½in. and a turning circle of 41½ft. to the right and 42½ft. to the left. The ground clearance is 8in., reduced to 6½in. by the hydraulic jacks.

The "Prefect" and "Anglia" models are small saloons fitted with four-cylinder, side-valve engines, three-speed gearboxes, mechanical brakes, and worm-and-nut steering. The "Prefect" is the bigger of the two and has a 1,172 c.c. engine developing 30.1 b.h.p. at 4,000 r.p.m., a 94in. wheelbase, a 36½ft. turning circle, and an unladen weight of 15½cwt.

The engine of the "Anglia" has a capacity of 933 c.c. and develops 23.4 b.h.p. at 4,000 r.p.m. Its wheelbase is 90in., its turning circle 34½ft., and its unladen weight 14½cwt. Ground clearances are 8.67in. and 8.87in. respectively.

The "Anglia" has a two-door body and the "Prefect" a four-door body. The prices of these Fords are £285 for the "Pilot," £205 for the "Prefect" and £225 for the "Anglia."

**FRAZER-NASH**

The Frazer-Nash is sold in two models, the "High Speed" and the "Fast Tourer," both with open two-seater bodies. The six-cylinder 2-litre Bristol engine is specially tuned to develop exceptional power—120 b.h.p. at 5,500 r.p.m. in the case of the "High Speed" model and 100 b.h.p. at 5,000 r.p.m. in the "Fast Tourer." The four-speed gearbox has a central lever. The Frazer-Nash chassis has tubular members and is extremely light. This saving of weight has been extended to the rest of the car, which weighs 10cwt. complete, resulting in a remarkable power to weight ratio. The front wheels are independently sprung by a transverse spring, and the rear suspension is by torsion bars. The steering is of the rack-and-pinion type, the wheelbase is 90in., the ground clearance 7in., and the turning circle 30ft. The basic "Fast Tourer" and £2,250 for the "High Speed" model.

**DAIMLER**

All three Daimler models have overhead-valve engines, pre-selector four-speed epicyclic gearboxes and fluid couplings. Independent front suspension with coil springs, and worm-and-roller steering. The 2½-litre has a six-cylinder engine developing 70 b.h.p. (according to the type and number of carburetors) and an unladen weight of 23cwt., the Bristol saloon gives a remarkable road performance. The four-speed gearbox has free-wheel on first gear, and a centrally placed lever. The front brakes are hydraulic, the rear mechanical, and the steering is of the rack-and-pinion type. A transverse spring provides independent suspension for the front wheels, and the rear springs are torsion bars. The wheelbase is 114in., the ground clearance 7in., and the turning circle 30ft. The two-door saloon costs £1,750.

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**U.S. Liking For British Cars**

Sir William Rootes, Chairman of the British Motor Manufacturers' Association, now on a visit to the U.S.A., stated, according to a New York report, that he had found a growing trend in the U.S.A. for British motor cars.

Sir William who speaking at a press conference on the eve of the opening of the first international automobile show in New York said that British cars were not being exhibited in competition with American cars. British manufacturers "believe that it is in the interests of the U.S.A. that we should get to a state of freer trade when Marshall Aid becomes unnecessary", he said.

Of 100 foreign cars being shown in New York about two-thirds are British manufacture.

**S.A. Orders More Double-Deckers**

Leyland Motors of North England have announced another big South African order for their double-deckers—the type generally known overseas as the "London bus".

This latest order is for 16 vehicles all of them eight-foot wide, models with 125 horsepower diesel engines. It comes from the Bloemfontein municipality.

The South African municipality of Durban has just taken delivery of 75 Leyland eight-foot wide double-deck bus chassis. These will be put in service as soon as their locally built bodies are finished.

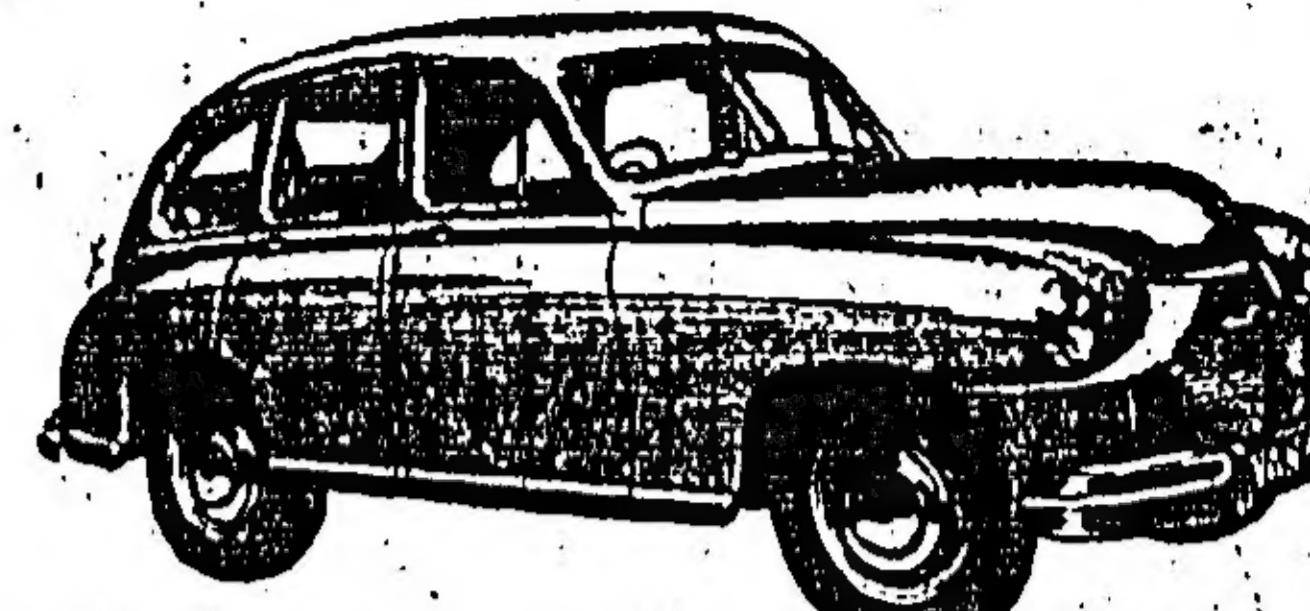
London buses have hitherto had a width of only seven and a half feet. Leyland Motors have, however, started work on 80-foot eight-foot wide vehicles which will be used to replace worn-out vehicles on the capital's routes.

**BIG CAR CONTRACTS**

An indication of the prestige held by the British motorcar in overseas exhibitions is the announcement just issued by the Nuffield Organisation that contracts for more than \$1,000,000 worth of vehicles, valued at £700,000, had already been signed and finalised at the recent Brussels motor show.

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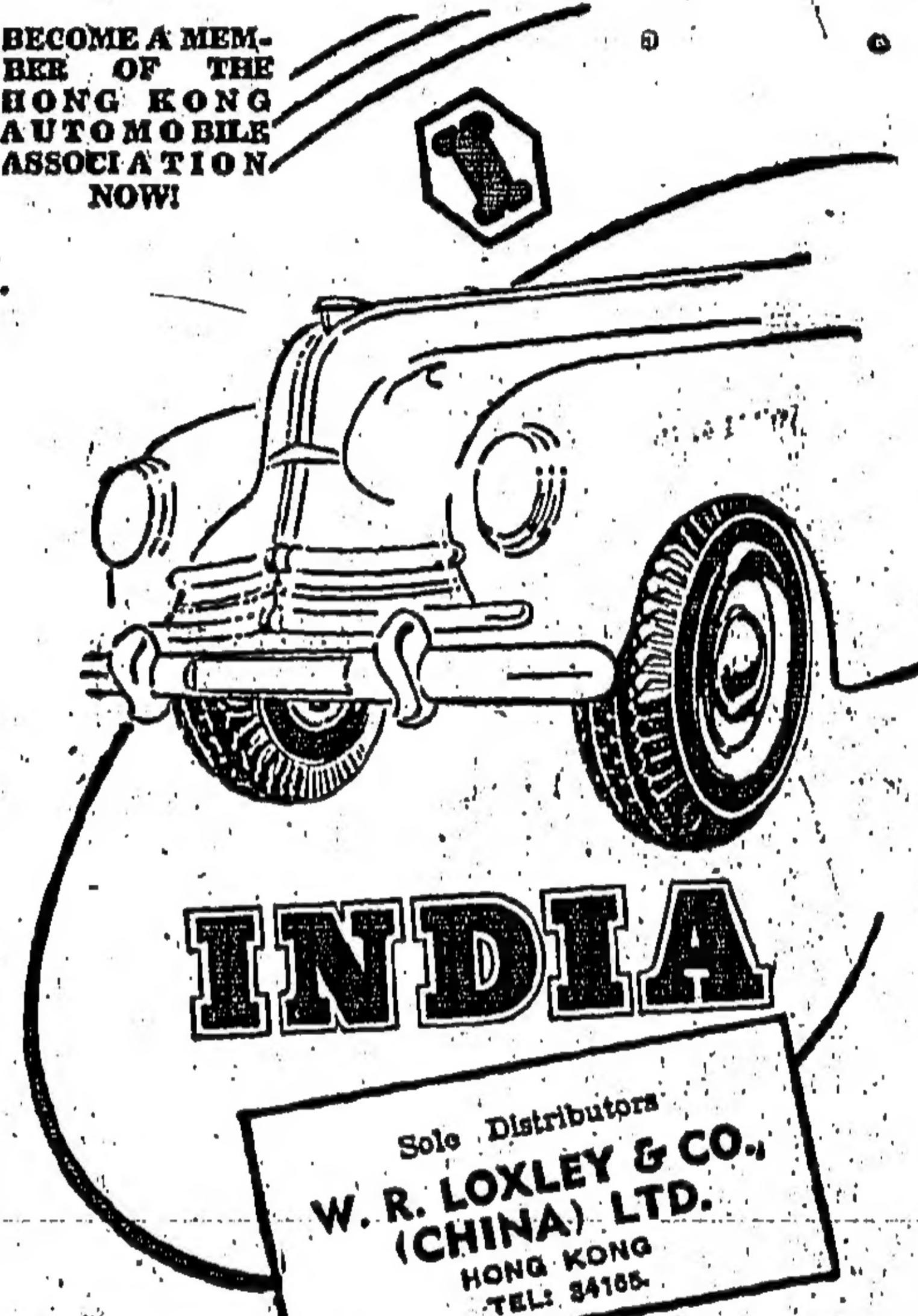
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## AUSTRIAN PEACE TREATY

# STALEMATE REACHED AT LONDON MEETING

## HEROIC EFFORTS BY FRANCE

Paris, February 11.  
France is making a heroic effort to stabilise her finances, Jean Raymond Guyon, chairman of the Finance Committee of the National Assembly, said today.

Guyon was commenting on the view expressed in Washington on Wednesday by Senator Tom Connally, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, that the French have raised taxes to stabilise their economy but are not collecting the taxes.

Connally said he hoped that the European Recovery Programme administrators will impress on the French that they have got to get their economy straightened out.

Insisting that the taxes are being collected regularly, Guyon said the best proof is that Government borrowing from the Bank of France has been stabilised.

"The budget for 1949 has not only been balanced at the level of 10,500,000,000 francs but another 140,000,000,000 francs has been provided for an investment and reconstruction programme,"—Associated Press.

Responsible diplomatic informants reported today that behind-the-scenes efforts are being made to bring Austrian and Yugoslav leaders into direct consultation over their frontier differences.

The reports came as the Big Four Deputy Foreign Ministers met for the second successive day of their resumed conference on an Austrian treaty for independence.

The diplomatic informants decline to be identified. They are, however, in close touch with the negotiators.

They said that a meeting may soon take place between Austria's Foreign Minister, Herr Gruber, and Yugoslavia's Deputy Foreign Minister, Ales Bebler.

Both are in London. Both are standing by in case the Deputies call on them for a statement of their respective Government's claims.

Russia today accused the Western powers of issuing an "ultimatum" in rejecting the Yugoslav claims to a part of Southern Austria.

American and British sources said that the Soviet Ambassador, George N. Zarubin, made the charge at the resumed conference on an Austrian treaty "attacking the return of the United States, Britain and France to consider reducing Austrian territory."

Mr. Bebler, Deputy Yugoslav Foreign Minister, arrived in London on Wednesday night to renew his country's claims.

The four Deputies, laying aside the question of whether to hear him, passed to other disputed sections of the proposed treaty.

Although Mr. Reber denied the Western stand is an "ultimatum," an American source said the United States Deputy made it clear that America will continue to oppose any change in Austria's pre 1938 frontiers.

### Russian Refugees

Mr. Reber and the British Deputy, Mr. James Majorbanks, said they will be glad to hear Yugoslavia's claims on other matters providing the territorial demand is dropped, the American source said.

The four Deputies have also reached a stalemate on the question of repatriating displaced persons and refugees now in Austria.

Mr. Zarubin, according to American and British sources, renewed the Soviet demand that Austria be required to send all Soviet Union refugees back to their homeland.

Mr. Zarubin reported that there are still 500,000 displaced persons and refugees of all nationalities in Austria.

An American source said that Mr. Reber pointed out that all Soviet refugees are not free to return to Russia if they wish.

American official circles here estimate that only eight to 10 persons a month are now being voluntarily repatriated to the Soviet Union.

### Compromiso Plan

The three Western Powers oppose compulsory repatriation of Soviet refugees.

Britain proposes as a compromise to drop all reference to repatriation from the treaty. Instead, Austria would be held to provisions of a United Nations Assembly resolution passed in 1948 providing that refugees need not return to their homelands if they do not wish to.

Mr. Zarubin opposed the compromise, declaring that Russia has never agreed to accept the United Nations resolution.

Failing to agree on the point, the four Deputies adjourned until Friday when they will discuss other disputed sections of the proposed treaty.—Associated Press.

## Sorge Ring Guide To Red Thinking

Washington, February 10.

The post-war dreams of the Sorge spy ring (disclosure of which was made yesterday) are useful guides to Communist thinking today.

The U.S. Army declared this in a statement issued today.

The Army said that Hosomatsu Ozaki, concealed of a Communist New Order which would include not only the Japanese, Chinese and Russians but also the Koreans, Malays, Mongolians and the people of the Philippines, Thailand, Dutch East Indies, French Indo-China and India.

He dreamed of the day when the peoples of those countries would unite with the Soviet Union according to the views and practices of the Soviet Communists in the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics in the whole of Eastern Asia.

Despite the enmity which the Japanese created among the Chinese and others by the violence of their attempts to create a New Order in East Asia, there really

was considerable appeal in their Pan-Asia propaganda.

The general audience given by the Malays and Burmese to the invading Japanese is a matter of very recent memory. Today we begin to hear a good deal about the New Order and Pan-Asianism both from China and from India.

"The Japanese had a good thing which they spoiled by their greed and violence."—United Press.

Colombia, Portugal, February 11.

Thieves who took four guinea pigs from a laboratory here today were warned by police that the pigs have been inoculated for experimental purposes and handling may be fatal.—Associated Press.

## Protestant Ministers Accused Of Treason

Sofia, February 11.

A Bulgarian Government indictment last night charged 15 Ministers of the United Evangelical Church with spying for the intelligence services of the United States and Britain.

The indictment accuses them of espionage, high treason and violation of the foreign currency law.

The charges are similar to those made in Hungary, another Communist-led state, against Josef Cardinal Mindszenty. He was convicted and sentenced to life.

Represented in the United Evangelical Church are the Congregational, Methodist, Baptist and Pentecost faiths.

Those indicted include:

Vassil Zupkov, United Evangelical Church's representative and head of the Congregational Church.

Yanke Ivanov, his deputy, who is supervisor of the Methodist Churches in Bulgaria.

Nikola Mihailov, head of the Baptists.

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Foreign journalists visited the prison today. An official told Reuter that if Cardinal Mindszenty is imprisoned there he will probably receive some kind of room and have at his disposal a private place for prayers.

The director of the Prison Division of the Ministry of Justice, Dr. Lazlo Major, could not say whether the Cardinal will ever have to wear a prisoner's clothing.

The Catholic prison chaplain, Father Antal Hugo Riba, said free exercise of religion is permitted.

### British Note

Two sequels to the Mindszenty trial:

Britain told Hungary in a second note that she reaffirms her right to examine any act which may contravene the Hungarian peace treaty, while in London the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, informed the Hungarian Minister of the strong feeling in Britain about the trial.

In Washington, President Truman denounced Hungary's treatment of Cardinal Mindszenty as infamous. He described the trial as a kangaroo court proceeding which will go down in history as a blot against the nation which carried it on. (An American slang, a kangaroo court usually means a mock trial held by prisoners in a gao; it also has the general meaning of an irresponsible, unauthorised tribunal in which principles of law and justice are perverted.)—Associated Press and Reuter.

## Harriman Warning On ERP Cuts

Washington, February 10.

W. Averell Harriman, recovery chief in Europe, told Congressmen today that any substantial cut in Marshall plan spending this year may make it impossible to end the programme by 1952.

A cut, he said, may turn the plan into merely a relief programme.

Senator Walter George suggested that a five per cent reduction in foreign spending may help to avert the need for tax increase for Americans.

Mr. Harriman told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee:

"If you cut the appropriation it will make recovery extremely difficult. I prefer to make a sacrifice now."

Senator George said the United States may break itself down by taking on more than it can afford.

He thinks that the spending will be increased if the U.S. comes along with the North Atlantic pact and the Mediterranean defence pact.

The committee chairman,

Tom Connally, asked Mr. Harriman if he knew of ECA funds going to the Dutch to aid them in the Indonesian situation.

Mr. Harriman replied that allocations for the Netherlands East Indies have terminated because the Administrator, Paul Hoffman, does not consider the expenditures a safe investment.

He added that continuing allocations are going to Holland itself and emphasised Holland's part in European recovery.—United Press.

## Requiem Mass For Pius XI

Rome, February 10.

Pope Pius XII today attended requiem mass in the Vatican's Sistine Chapel on the 10th anniversary of the death of Pope Pius XI.

Cardinal Federico Tedeschini, Arch-Priest of St Peter's, celebrated the mass and at the end the Pope gave the absolution from his throne.

The whole Diplomatic Corps accredited to the Vatican, the nephews of Pope Pius XI, 12 cardinals and many other prominent ecclesiastical and lay personalities attended.

All the Vatican flags were flown at half mast and offices were closed.

Crowds loudly acclaimed the Pope as he passed through the Vatican to the service.

Cardinal Giovanni Plaza, Polish Minister of Security, told Parliament today that a plot to kill the President and members of the Polish Cabinet was financed with dollars and pounds and directed by centres abroad.

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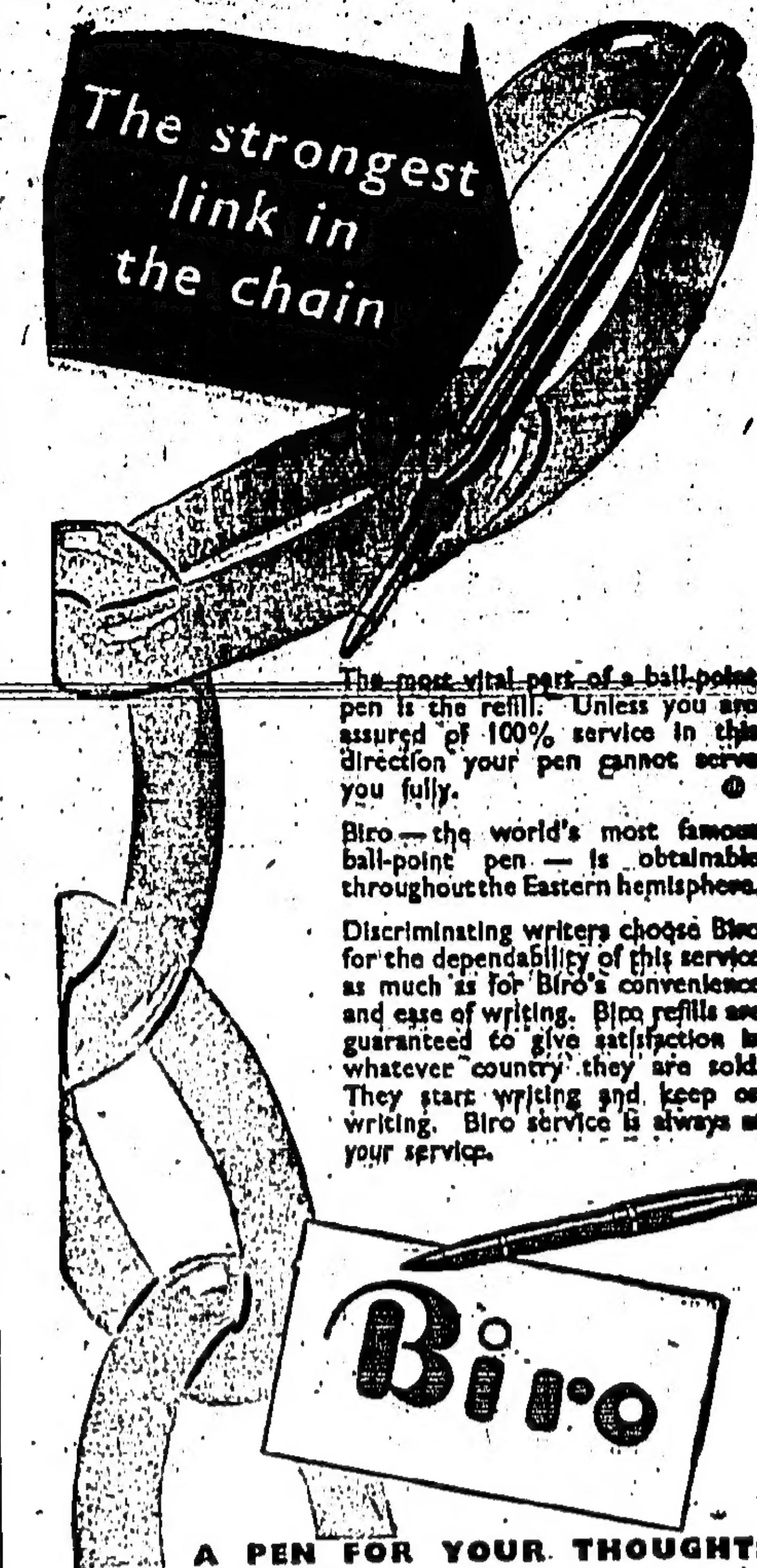
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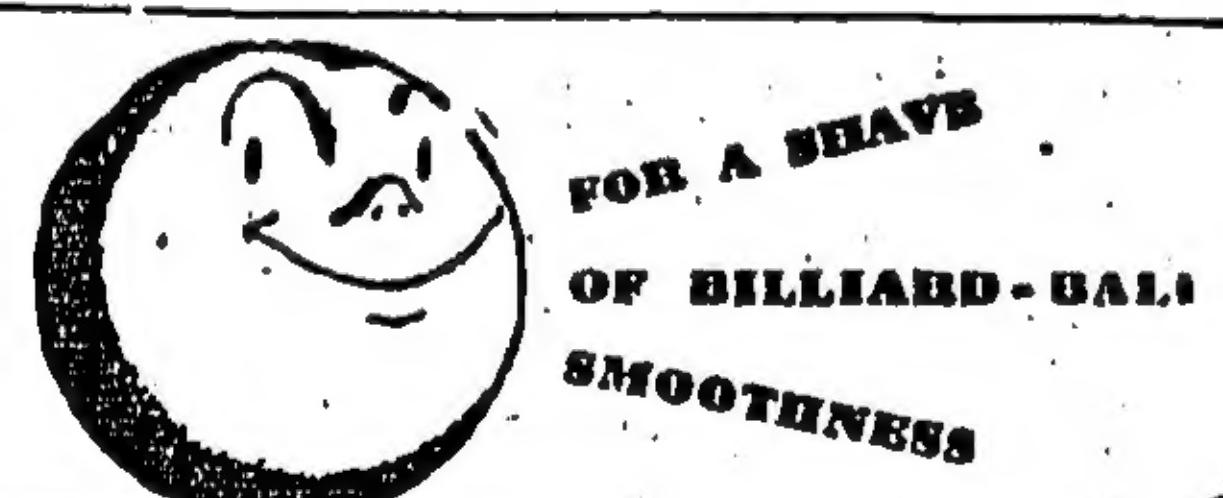
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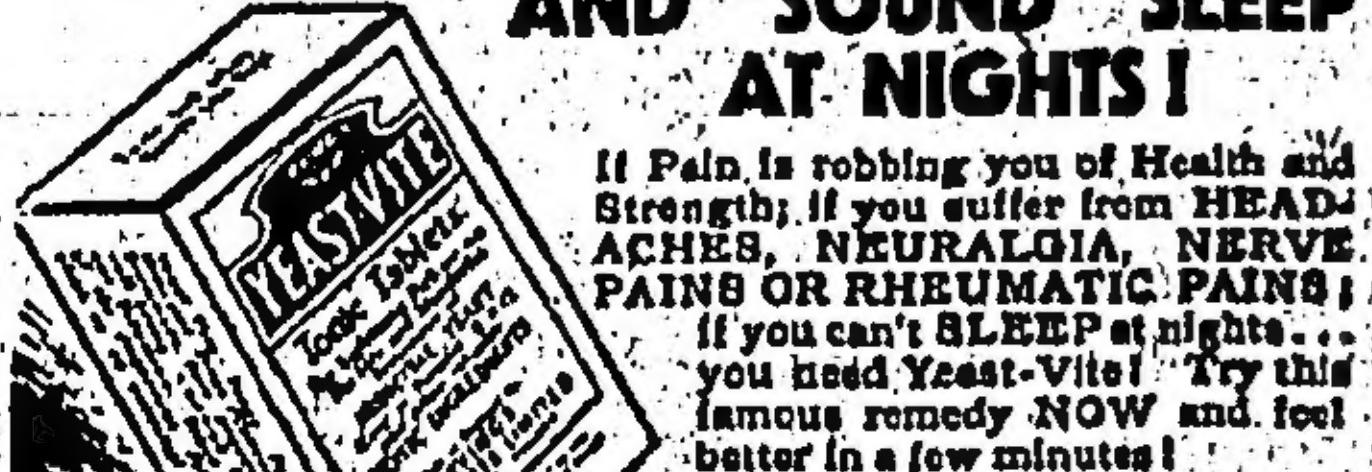
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"PRODUCE"	Yokohama & Kobe	10 p.m. 16th Feb.
"TSINAN"	Bangkok	3 p.m. 16th Feb.
"POYANG"	Singapore	4 p.m. 17th Feb.
"YUCHOW"	Foochow, Amoy, Singapore, Macassar, Surabaya & Batavia	4 p.m. 17th Feb.
"SINKIANG"	Shanghai, Singapore, Pataniyah & Sib. (Shanghai?) & Japan	10 a.m. 18th Feb.
"FOOCHOW"	Singapore, Macassar, Surabaya & Batavia	20th Feb.
"FENGTEEN"	Shanghai	21st Feb.
"SHENGKING"	Inchon & Pusan	10 a.m. 22nd Feb.

"HUNAN"	Sails from Custodian Wharf	14th Feb.
"TSINAN"	Swatow	9 a.m. 15th Feb.
"SINKIANG"	Borneo & Hollow	15/16th Feb.
"YUCHOW"	Shanghai & Keeling	16/17th Feb.
"NINGHAI"	Singapore	16th Feb.
"FOOCHOW"	Korea	17th Feb.
"HUNAN"	Kobe	18th Feb.
"FENGTEEN"	Shanghai & Keeling	19th Feb.

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"FOOCHOW"	Korea	17th Feb.
"HUNAN"	Kobe	18th Feb.
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"CHANGTE"	Japan	21st Feb.
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## GIGANTIC SCHEME FOR HARNESSING THE NILE

London, February 10.

Mr. Hector McNeil, Minister of State, announced tonight that Britain and Egypt have agreed to launch in the Nile Valley one of the world's biggest irrigation schemes. The scheme will aid the development of North, East, and Central Africa and may take 20 years to complete.

Mombasa, February 10. The "Kilindini Monster," which a police inspector claimed he shot six weeks ago, was seen yesterday by a large crowd of ferry-boat passengers in Mombasa Harbour a few yards from the spot where it was first reported.

Amplifying Mr. McNeil's announcement, made at a dinner of the Anglo-Egyptian Society in London, authoritative quarters disclosed that other Governments bordering on the Nile Valley will be approached shortly to participate in the scheme if they wish.

The total cost and methods of financing the scheme have not yet been decided, but irrigation experts have made extensive investigations and prepared detailed blueprints for all items involved.

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## Karen Stronghold Reported Taken

Rangoon, February 10.

An official spokesman said today that Burmese Government forces this morning entered Kawegyan, a Karen stronghold near Thamaing, on the Rangoon-Insein road, after heavily shelling it throughout the night.

Armoured cars led the way into the town. The Karen are maintaining stiff resistance in the area and heavy fighting is continuing, the spokesman added.

Low-flying Burma Air Force planes strafed Karen positions at Dalku, on the Rangoon-Mandalay railway, 90 miles North of the capital, according to tonight's military communiqué.

At Nyaungshin, further North, a section of No. 2 Company, the Burma Rifles, was disarmed for trying to join the Karen, the communiqué said.

The communiqué also reported day-long fighting between government forces and Karen insurgents in the Henzada district of the Irrawaddy Delta. Heavy casualties were inflicted on the rebels, it said.

All airways companies operating in Burma, except the British Overseas Airways Corporation, have suspended their flights.

The election is regarded as a plebiscite on whether the six Northern Countries should remain a part of the United Kingdom or merge with the Eireann Republic.

Fifty-seven candidates are contesting 28 of the 52 seats in the House of Commons. Sir Basil Brooke's Unionist Party is expected to be returned with 36 seats out of the 52.

Counting will begin tomorrow and the results, except for four seats at Queen's University, whose electors vote by post, should be known late in the afternoon.

Both sides made supreme efforts to win endorsement of their cause. Unionists contested every one of the 28 seats



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"TISSADANE"	In port	to Javaports & Macassar 17th Feb.
"TASMAN"	from Macassar & Javaports 18th Feb.	to Manila 8th March.
"TITIALENGKA"	In port	to Javaports & Macassar 3rd March.
"TJIBADAK"	from Macassar & Javaports 3rd March.	to Shanghai 5th March. to Javaports & Macassar 17th March.

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	Arrivals	Sailings
"BUYS"	In port	to South Africa & South America 23rd February.
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## FINANCE AND COMMERCE

## Little Optimism In U.S. Business Outlook

London, February 10.

All signs are that the United States is having some deflationary setback—the real question is whether big or small. The vice-chairman of President Truman's Economic Council declares: "Optimism combined with the right course of action can keep the outlook bright, but optimism is scarce."

## Hong Kong Stock Exchange

Again the Market has proved disappointing. A week ago things had assumed almost a rosy tint only to be followed by conditions of neglect. The prices of the popular leaders have all been marked down, dividends falling to keep their quotations at the level they attained prior to their announcements, and this in spite of some showing a 10% return.

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J. Moller (Loesler) British, ex-UK.  
THINAN (II & III) British, 2,100 tons, K. Whl.  
BENTON J.G. Smart Cust. Whl.  
WUBULL (II & III) British, 1,781 tons, ex-Canton, W.O. Sia, S.D. Whl.

## TODAY

PATSHAN (II & III) ex-Canton.  
PRODUCE (II & III) ex-Hangzhou.  
WOBANG (Jardine) ex-Japan.

## TOMORROW

ACHILLES (D &amp; B) ex-UK.

## Shipping Departures

## YESTERDAY

AROR (Dowdell) for Manila.  
DAN ANTONIO (Manners) for Malaya.  
HELEN (Dowdell) for Swatow.  
LEE KUNG (China Travel) for New York.

BALMONIER (Loesler) for Shanghai.

SHANHAI (B &amp; S) for Rohita.

TRIESTE MAERSK (Jensen) for Keelung.

## TODAY

ANTONIA (II &amp; III) for Manila, Japan.

HEKOKU (Wo Fat Blue) for Saigon.

HONGKONG (Tak Kee) for Canton.

KWEIYANG (B &amp; S) for Shanghai.

PROGRESS (II &amp; III) for Singapore.

TOMORROW

PRES. CLEVELAND (APL) for San Francisco.

ROCKAWOOD (Dowdell) for New York.

PIONEER COVE (JSL) ex-New York.

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TRENTON (APL) ex-Hull.

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CLOVERLOCK (Nick Yuen) Y.M.T.

COMET (HKS Co.)

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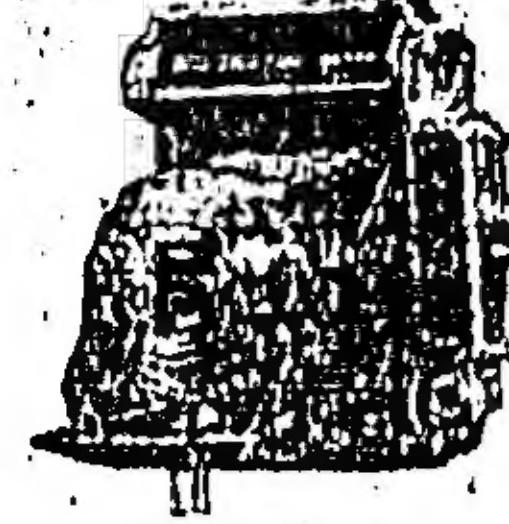
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## NINE EVENTS TO BE RUN THIS AFTERNOON

(By "RAPIER")

Racing will be resumed at the Valley this afternoon, when the Hong Kong Jockey Club will conduct their First Extra Race Meeting. The first saddling bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m., with the initial race starting at 2 p.m. sharp. The varied programme will consist of nine events and, provided the weather is favourable, it will then be a matter of judging on recent performances in order to decide on which pony to rely.

Mr. H. S. Chan, who suffered injury received as a result of a fall while riding Chief Pilot in the Foochow Cup on the first day of the Annual Carnival, has fully recovered and will be seen in action.

Race No. 1—Taiwan Bay Stakes: One Mile.

The programme opens with a race confined to Australian Ponies classified Class 9 as at January 1, 1949. Weight 147 lb. 1 lb. penalty for every \$100 or part thereof won in stakes since January 1, 1948. Limit to penalty 12 lb. Jockey Allowance.

Among the entries I expect the winner to come from one of the following:—Burke (Mr. Gregory), Allia (Mr. Matlland), Betty Lou (Mr. Wong Yan), Flying Dragon (Mr. Castro) and Mastermind (Mr. Pole-Hunt).

In the last Chance Stakes (First Section) at the 11th Extra Meeting over the two mile post, Burke with Mr. Matlland up carrying 150 lb came fourth after leading most of the way, and as to-day's event is shorter by 171 yards, I think Burke should just about win.

There is, of course, Allia to be reckoned with. This pony ran unplaced in the second section of the above race with Mr. Foster up, and as it is also quite good over this distance, I expect to see it fairly near at the finish.

Betty Lou and Flying Dragon have shown good form in their morning gallops and I am sure they will give the two above-mentioned ponies a good fight to the end. In Mastermind we have a pony which is quite capable of upsetting calculations.

Race No. 2—Mira Bay Stakes (First Section): Six Furlongs.

In this event for Australian Subscription Ponies of 1949, Winners and Ponies that have

## Salvaging Operations

Salvage operations to retrieve three military trucks from the harbour will be undertaken today by the Home Defence authorities.

An area off the No. 5 Kowloon Wharf will be dragged to locate the three vehicles after which divers will be sent down to tie up the trucks for lifting up by a crane.

The three vehicles—a breakdown truck, a 15-hundred-weight truck and a three-ton vehicle—fell into the harbour yesterday.

An Army landing craft in which they were being ferried across the harbour capsized some 300 yards from the No. 5 Wharf.

The craft itself did not sink. It was later towed to the Naval Dockyard.

## Cambridge Certificates

The following candidates passed the School Certificate Examination, University of Cambridge, held in Hong Kong in December:

King George V School (Grade I Certificate) D.S. Ashe, W.D. Egerton, K.D. Surgison and S.A. Stephenson. (Grade II) J.J. McMaster, H.C.M.B. Anderson, G.F. Nock, P.J. Portallion, S. Robertson and D.M. Sanders. (Grade III) W.J.B. Keates, P.A. Moss and M.I. Hall.

Queen's College: (Grade III) E.T. Yeo.

Private Students: (Grade I) Poon Kwong-hung and H. Tan (Grade III) J.M.S. Malingard.

Passed French with Credit: R. A. Potter.

## CLUB 2ND XI

The following will represent the Club 2nd XI in a match against Tramways today, at 2.30 p.m. on the Club Ground.

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## Selections For Today

(By "RAPIER")

Race No. 1.	AILBA
	BURGE
	BETTY LOU
	Outsider: Flying Dragon.
Race No. 2	AIR AND GRACES
	ARABIAN DAGGER
	ROWAGLEN
	Outsider: Double Coin.
Race No. 3	TOPPER
	EASY-GOING
	MABSTERY
	Outsider: Hop Yick.
Race No. 4	PANDA
	SHANNON
	BUNSHINE
	Outsider: V-J DAY.
Race No. 5	HONGKONG BIUTSE
	THE TIGRESS
	GREEN VELVET
	Outsider: Roue d'or.
Race No. 6	FLORELLA
	FIRST ALARM
	EMPEROR'S DELIGHT
	Outsider: Sparkling Star.
Race No. 7	AEROPLANE
	ZEPHYR
	JETFIRE
	Outsider: Forever Spring.
Race No. 8	OAKLAND BRIDGE
	REPUTATION
	SHAFFIE
	Outsider: By-the-way.
Race No. 9	COOPER
	CHESTERFIELD
	DOMINION DAY
	Outsider: Wodonga.

won less than \$750 in stakes barred. Weight 147 lb. Winners of \$1,000, 5 lb; and of \$1,500 or more, 10 lb; penalty.

Judging on training performances, Airs and Graces (Mr. Matlland) appears to be the natural choice, but it ran very badly at its first outing on the first day of the Carnival with Mr. Ostromoff up and will have to show better form in order to win this afternoon.

Coming in second in the race which was won by Popularity in the Consolation Stakes (Third Section), I consider that Arabian Dugger (Mr. Pote-Hunt) has a good opportunity of winning here and should be well supported accordingly. Rowaglen (Mr. Ostromoff) and Double Coin (Mr. Peter Young) are fast over short distances and they are both capable of upsetting calculations.

I am, however, inclined to nominate Airs and Graces to win with Arabian Dugger second and Rowaglen third, leaving Double Coin as the outsider.

Race No. 3—Gin Drinker Bay Stakes (First Section): One Mile.

This will be contested by Australian Subscription Ponies of 1949 whether they have started or not. Ponies that have won \$750 or more in stakes barred. Weight 147 lb.

Looking at the entries, Easy-going is the best pony here, but somehow Mr. Gregory has not been able to control it from breaking out, and it may do so again this afternoon. For that reason I am not too happy about its chances of winning this race, but it may behave properly when least expected.

Topper (Mr. Ostromoff) was considered a good pony during the course of preparation for the Annual Meeting until it suffered from worms which prevented it from making an appearance; it is, therefore, making its debut this afternoon.

I think Topper has a good opportunity of scoring its first win. Mastery (Mr. Dau) is also in the race, especially when it is remembered that it came in fourth in the Hopeful Stakes (Second Section) over the mile on the first day of the Carnival.

If Easy-going takes it into his head to run, then it will win, otherwise Topper is my choice with Mastery taking the other position.

Race No. 4—Hung Hom Bay Handicap (First Section): Six Furlongs.

This race will be contested by Class 2 Australian ponies, and over this short distance the best thing to do is to look for sprinters.

First of all we have Panda to consider. It will again be taken out by Mr. K.F. Chiu and, remembering the way it ran and came in second to Chesterfield in the P. & O. Cup at the Annual Carnival, many will no doubt rely on it when making their bets.

Personally, I think that Panda should win, but Shannon (Mr. Ostromoff) is not to be ignored as this pony can move some and the distance is more to its liking.

Sunshine (Mr. Pote-Hunt) and V-J Day (Mr. K. Kwok) are quite fast over short distance and will be near at the finish.

I expect to see the finish in the following order:—Panda, Sunshine and Sunshine.

Race No. 5—Gin Drinker Bay Stakes (Second Section): One Mile.

A perusal of the entries in this race gives me the impression that one need not look further than Hong Kong Slutte (Mr. R. K. Choi) to win in view of its fourth placing in the Trial Plate (First Section) over the 1 1/4 miles, but the Tigress (Mr. K. Kwok) has been making gradual improvement after an illness which prevented it from starting at the Annual Meeting and may possibly extend the above pony.

Green Vélét (Mr. Y.K. Tu) and Roue d'or (Mr. Alexander) should fight out the third position.

Race No. 6—Mira Bay Stakes (Second Section): Six Furlongs.

Second Section of Australian Ponies of 1949 with winners and ponies that have won less than \$750 in stakes barred will figure in this event and among the entries I expect one of the following to be the winner:—Floria (Mr. Matlland), First Alarm (Mr. Pote-Hunt), Empress Delight (Mr. Gregory), Panda, Delight (Mr. Clegg), and Pentura (Mr.

(Mr. Shanson) and Sparkling Star (Mr. Shanson).

Florella came in third in the Hopeful Stakes (Six Section) with Mr. Gregory up on the first day of the Carnival and over this distance, I consider its prospects of scoring a win rather bright.

First Alarm looks dangerous as it was third in the Hopeful Stakes (Third Section) and may cause an upset, whereas Empress Delight, after its third placing on the last day of the Carnival in the Consolation Stakes (Third Section) should also have a say at the finish if it behaves on rounding the bend instead of breaking out.

Penforce can move fairly fast but provided it starts when the gate is up.

Sparkling Star is another pony to be remembered as this pony is good over this distance, I think it should not be disregarded.

Race No. 7—Gin Drinker Bay Stakes (Third Section): One Mile.

The two best ponies in this race are undoubtedly Zephyr (Mr. Sheh) and Aeroplane (Mr. Pote-Hunt).

Zephyr was officially fourth in the Leighton Hill Stakes (Second Section) on the fourth day of the Annual Meeting and judging by the performance, it has a good chance of scoring a win here.

Aeroplane has shown improvement under the careful guidance of Mr. Pote-Hunt during morning gallops and must therefore be seriously considered.

Jetfire (Mr. Tao), Silver Spear (Mr. Wong Yan) and Forever Spring (Mr. Gregory) may have something to say with regard to the third position, but I don't think they can win.

Race No. 8—Gin Drinker Bay Stakes (Fourth Section): One Mile.

This race is more or less a gift for Oakland Bridge (Mr. Tao) and amongst the entries I do not think there is a pony to extend it, judging by its mile run in 2.15, last quarter 28.3 seconds on February 2, during training. Reputation (Mr. Pote-Hunt) should have no difficulty in taking the second position with Shuffle (Mr. Tao) and By-the-way (Mr. K. Kwok) fighting out the third position.

Race No. 9—Hung Hom Bay Handicap (Second Section): Six Furlongs.

This is the final event of the day, in which the second lot of Class 2 Australian Ponies will settle the argument.

Chesterfield (Mr. Gregory) carrying 162 lb won the P. & O. Cup on the second day of the Annual Meeting over 1 1/4 miles. It will be called upon to carry 7 lb more to-day, and in spite of the increase in poundage I still believe it has a good chance of scoring another win.

The most dangerous opposition will come from Cooper (Mr. Pote-Hunt); as this pony is fast over six furlongs. Dominion Day (Mr. K. Kwok) is also speedy, and Pearl Diver (Mr. Tao) is quite fast and should give a good account of themselves.

Race No. 10—Mira Bay Stakes (Second Section): Six Furlongs.

Second Section of Australian Ponies of 1949 with winners and ponies that have won less than \$750 in stakes barred will figure in this event and among the entries I expect one of the following to be the winner:—Floria (Mr. Matlland), First Alarm (Mr. Pote-Hunt), Empress Delight (Mr. Gregory), Panda, Delight (Mr. Clegg), and Pentura (Mr.

## Saints Tangle With Canucks In Crucial Match Of Season

(By "GRANDSTAND")

The Senior League pennant race reaches its climax

this week as St. Joseph's, the defending champions, tangle with the Canadians in a fracas in which the blue and gold bunting will be at stake.

A victory for either side will mean the championship unless something unforeseen happens, but judging from the remainder of the games arranged, this seems most unlikely.

The Association has up to date not been able to decide on the ruling concerning the two games played by Recreio who have since withdrawn.

Pending judgment from the Association the two teams at two losses by the Saints and the Canucks, the former dropping to VRG and the Midcaps, while the latter were nosed out by the Recreio and Canucks in two extra innings.

Provided arrangements are finalised by hard-working Assistant Secretary Buster Hollands, a visiting Canadian team will meet the Junior Loop all-stars at 3.30 p.m. on Sunday immediately after the St. Joseph's—Canadian show down.

With the three leagues nearing conclusion, there is talk in Softballon regarding the Most Valuable Player. Last year's selections were decided by ballot among the managers of all the teams in the Leagues, but it was found to be impractical as most managers of one league were not interested in the "going ons" of the other loops, with the result that candidates were chosen haphazardly.

A more appropriate manner would be to appoint a commission of men who are present at most of the games, and who would, therefore, be in a better position to judge. The MVP title is an esteemed one, and, as honour should be given where it is due, this suggestion deserves special consideration.

WEEK-END PROGRAMME AND UMPIRE ROSTER

### INTERNATIONAL

The date set for the International play-offs in both the Men's and Ladies Divisions has been set for March 20, with Portugal meeting Pakuranga and Great Britain playing the Portuguese team this Saturday.

Sunday's race is kept open as the date is up.

After last week's minor loop "dream game" between the Jaguars and the Braves, the junior league programme for this week is comparatively mild, with the Braves taking on the weak Wild Vikings, who can always be depended on to give a good show,

## Busmen Meet S. China 'A'

### In Best Of League Games

### Memorial Cup Final Tomorrow Afternoon

(By "ROVER")

The spotlight on First Division Soccer this afternoon will be focussed on the two South China teams, which will be pitted against Kowloon Motor Bus and Army at Boundary Street and Causeway Bay respectively.

Tomorrow, all roads will lead to the Club Ground at Happy Valley, where the final game in the Memorial Cup Competition between Combined Chinese and Army will be played.

On conclusion of this game, Major General F. R. G. Matthews, GOC, will present the Memorial Cup to the winning team.

The match between Kowloon Motor Bus and South China "A" at Boundary Street should draw a capacity crowd, as the busmen are expected to throw all their resources into this game to avenge their unexpected 4-1 defeat at Caroline Hill earlier in the season.

A close game is expected and on current form, South China "A" should win, but the busmen will have the advantage of team-work and methods of the school's Senior XI which participated in the Sunday School League is, in a large measure, due to Mr. Keen's coaching.

It is a great pity that the youngsters should now be deprived of Mr. Keen's coaching and the HKFA, as the body controlling amateur football in the Colony, have thrown away a wonderful opportunity of improving the standard of soccer in this Colony by not arranging for Mr. Keen to devote his services exclusively to the schoolboys.

The following is the week-end soccer programme: